



# ARM THE SPIRIT

A REVOLUTIONARY PRISONERS NEWSPAPER

"Settle your quarrels, come together, understand the reality of our situation, understand that fascism is already here, that people are already dying who could be saved, that generations more will die or live poor butchered half-lives if you fail to act. Do what must be done, discover your humanity and your love in revolution. Pass on the torch. Join us, give up your life for the people."

—George Jackson, prison organizer/revolutionary,  
assassinated by San Quentin guards August 21, 1971.

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## SUPPORT NEW AFRIKAN FREEDOM FIGHTERS

On September 13, 1982, the preliminary hearing of New Afrikan Freedom Fighters Sekou Odinga, Kuwesi Balagoon, and Solomon Brown, and white anti-imperialist Freedom Fighters Judy Clark, David Gilbert, and Kathy Boudin—all members of the Black Liberation Army's Revolutionary Armed Task Force—began in Rockland County, New York. These combatants were captured following an attempted expropriation of a Brinks van in Nyack, NY on October 20th, 1981. The four comrades whose statements follow have refused to recognize the right of the U.S. government to put them on trial. They turned the courtroom into a battlefield by militantly declaring their rights as Freedom Fighters to attack the institutions of U.S. imperialism. As the Freedom Fighters chanted "Free the Land!" from inside the courtroom, nearly 150 supporters outside showed their solidarity by picketing militantly throughout the day.

### From Sekou Odinga — New Afrikan Prisoner of War

Let me say at the outset of this statement that I am a Muslim and a New Afrikan Freedom Fighter. Both positions leave me out of the jurisdiction of this court and make these court proceedings null and void (illegal).

As a Muslim I am subject to the laws of the Qur'an which clearly tells me to fight oppression. To enjoin what is right and to forbid what is wrong. As a Freedom Fighter, fighting for the freedom, liberation and self-determination of my people, the United Nations Charter and all other legal bodies dealing with the subject of liberation of an oppressed people, recognize my right to wage armed struggle against my oppressor. It is important to understand who I am and who my people are.

I am the descendant of Afrikan slaves, brought to this country in chains as captives of a brutal slave war waged against the Afrikan people. My people have been fighting for our survival, liberation and self-determination since the first Afrikan was illegally kidnapped and enslaved for the profit and the pleasure of the European.

We the Afrikan descendants are now called citizens of the United States, but like everything else that has been forced on the Afrikan slaves and their descendants, we were never asked if that is what we wanted or needed. This title of citizen was forced upon us, but the rights that go along with this citizenship for the European American citizen, was never given to the ex-slave and his descendants.

I am not an American citizen. I am a victim of America. I am a citizen of the Republic of New Afrika. I do not want to be an American citizen. America has proven itself to be the most devilish and barbarous

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### The Necessity of Armed Fighters

— Sundiata Acoli and  
Richard Thompson-El

The ruling class through its control of the media distorts the true role of armed freedom fighters. They portray freedom fighters as senseless terrorists while glorifying the real terrorist as "defenders of freedom." They never say where freedom fighters come from, or why they appear. Even the most shallow investigation of history shows that it's the long term oppression of a people that creates freedom fighters. They are the first signs of a people's will to resist their oppression with weapons in kind, and lest we forget, our oppressor is armed. He has the guns and has already proven that he will use them indiscriminately to spread fear and terror to keep a people suppressed. Armed freedom fighters are necessary to counter this terror by the oppressor and to liberate ourselves from him.

Most Black people understand this because we are among the most oppressed in this society. We serve as the basic source of cheap labor in this country; also as a large consumer market for dumping cheap overpriced goods, and as a bargaining tool to keep all wages at a minimum by exploiting the differences in color, class, sex, etc. Because we have no control over the major economic, political, social or military institutions that determine our lives, we are powerless and are constantly at the mercy of outside forces, administrations, etc., who use us for their own benefit. We are in fact, a scattered internal colony within U.S. borders with each separate community having its own colony of us to exploit. Racism and police terror have proven to be the main tools used in maintaining our colonial oppression.

Through these tools the oppressor has solicited the aid of many, and the silent consent of most, whites in maintaining our oppression. In every major city the streets are saturated with the oppressor's armed police agencies. Outside these saturated areas, the slack is

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New Afrikan Freedom Fighter Day, New York, August 21, 1982



## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORS

On this occasion, New Afrikan Freedom Fighters' Day and Black August, we Afrikan prisoners in the California koncentration kamps would like to reaffirm our support for the comrades captured, martyred and those in the field. This affirmation is as strong as our historical struggle based on our centuries long quest for liberation from the european slavers. Beginning with the resistance against the first kidnap of our Afrikan ancestry (as exemplified in the Jaga peoples) through the infamous middle passage (as courageously shown in Cinque's Amistad mutiny) and onto the lands on which our forebearers were brought. Our voices in these acclamations of support and solidarity are made resonant and full as we echo the courageous utterings of our heroic ancestors who kicked off this Resistance during the early 1500's on up to today.

History has proven that Afrikan Freedom Fighters emerge wherever oppression against our people exists. Our people's resistance against colonial oppression is rich with heroic struggle.

On the Afrikan continent, Freedom Fighters such as Chaka Zulu, Queen N'Zinga, Bambata, Cabral, the Mau Mau, MPLA, FRELIMO, ANC, PAC, the Congolese National Liberation Front (FLNC), and SWAPO, to name but a few, emerged as Freedom Fighters and armed liberation movements out of peaceful, non-violent struggles for freedom against imperialism and capitalism made manifest in the form of colonialism and racism. Leaving the mother continent, the liberation struggles continued on slave ships, in slave ports, on slave plantations, and on into the

koncentration kamps called "inner cities."

Our armed resistance struggle can also be traced to the struggles of Central America, Latin America, the Caribbean, South America and the diaspora; the 1519 revolt of Maroons in Hispaniola; 1527 marked the first slave revolt in Puerto Rico; 1530 the first Afrikan slave revolt in Mexico; 1531 revolt of 1500 Maroons in Jamaica; 1674 revolt in Barbados; 1695 in Palmares; revolt in Brazil; 1791-1803 Haitian revolution, and many, many more.

Maroon societies were established, through the plots and actions of Afrikan men and women from Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. These Afrikan slave societies were our ancestors, waging armed struggles against the u.s. slaveocracy and giving shape to the New Afrikan Nation within the Black Belt. Revolutionary armed struggles were carried out by such Freedom Fighters as Cato in 1739; Gabriel in 1800; Denmark Vesey in 1822; Nat Turner in 1831; and Sister Harriet Tubman commanded an underground army without ever losing a soldier.

Two revolutionary Black nationalist spokesmen of the antebellum period, David Walker and Henry Highland Garnet, rose to give expression to the aspirations in the heart of the toiling masses. They clearly recognized that the only way the "infernal chains" will ever be broken is through armed revolution. Their cry was for the masses to rise and strike a blow for freedom.

During the 1920's Marcus Garvey mobilized the masses around Afrikan Redemption, Home and Abroad, thereby bringing an internationalist con-

text to our struggle for liberation. In this same period rose the clandestine Afrikan Blood Brotherhood, the first left-wing Afrikan Nationalist organization and one of the first to call for a separate Afrikan republic in the u.s.a. Cyril Briggs, the Brotherhood's leader, spoke words which ring true today when he said, "A man pressed to the earth by another with murderous intent is not under any obligation to choose his weapons. He would be a fool if he did not use any or whatever weapons within his reach. Self preservation is the first law of nature..."

Malcolm X came along during the late 50's and early 60's with the same call ... "By any means necessary..." Malik called for community control by Afrikans and for Afrikans. He left us with the unfinished task of taking our struggle before the world court, connecting on an internationalist level with all oppressed people of the world. He taught us that self-defense was our natural right; that we are the victims of u.s. colonial exploitation and that the time to throw the heavy yoke of oppression off our backs BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY is now!

As the Black Liberation Movement grew and its direction became more militant, police brutality and involvement in Afrikan communities increased. Cities across the u.s. exploded into violence and gave birth to the Black Panther Party for the self defense of Black people. Quickly the party gained strength and popularity. East and West, North and South, the BPP became a part of Black communities, and a sense of Black nationhood took on a new meaning. Cries of "ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE" and "BLACK POWER" sent white america into shock. The fear that came out of it allowed the f.b.i. to declare the BPP the most dangerous threat to the government, and moved to crush it and the Black Liberation Movement.

The united states of america is now in an acute state of economic crisis. Since there are no signs of anything but worsening conditions, ronald reagan has made his

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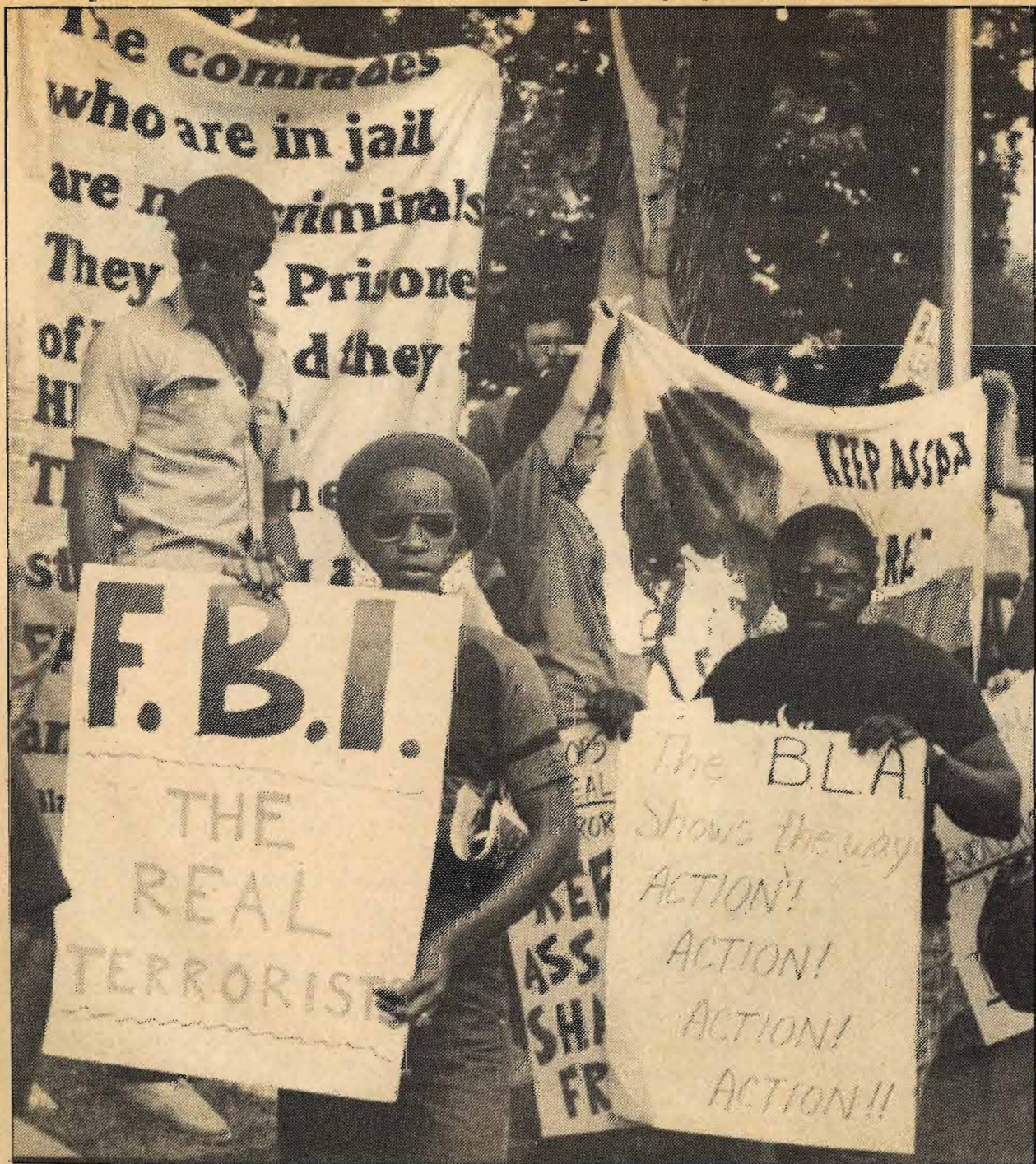
Several months have gone by since the last issue of Arm the Spirit was printed, and the editorial staff apologizes for the long delay. Although a number of problems arose which helped prevent work from getting done, the primary reason for the delay was a lack of organization. There is no excuse for that and we aren't attempting to make any, but steps are being taken to correct that situation so that it won't happen again.

Also, we are not having our usual "Letters Section" in this issue because the ones we have are so old and out of date. We will return to it in the next edition.

Again, we apologize for taking so long to put out this issue of ATS, and we appreciate both the concern and the patience our people have shown. We will not let you down again.

--The Editors

Please let us know if you are moved. Send us your old number and address and your new one, to P.O. Box 5548, Berkeley, CA 94705.



Demonstration in Support of October 20th Freedom Fighters on opening day of pre-trial hearings, New City Courthouse, New York, September 13th.



August 21, 1982

# NEW AFRIKAN FREEDOM FIGHTERS DAY

— Keynote Speech, Los Angeles

by Adewole Umoja, National Committee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters

August 21, 1982, marked the second year of mobilizations for New Afrikan Freedom Fighters Day.

The National Committee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters sponsored the mobilizations in both New York City and Los Angeles. In New York, over 150 New Afrikans participated in a very spirited march through the streets of Harlem. The demonstration included a strong contingent from the Puerto Rican and ChicanoMexicano national liberation movements. Speakers at the rally at a local high school included Chokwe Lumumba of the National Committee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters, Imari Obadele of the Malcolm X Party, Jose Lopez and Ricardo Romero of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN) and Serge Mukendi of the Congolese National Liberation Front (FLNC).

In Los Angeles, at the Rakestraw Community Center, over 100 New Afrikan people and a strong contingent of ChicanoMexicano comrades from the San Francisco Bay Area and Denver, Colorado participated in the program to honor our soldiers.

The day began with a demonstration at the Southwest Police Station against the police terrorism unleashed upon our community by that occupying army. The demonstration was strongly accepted and participated in by the Black community and by the ChicanoMexicano comrades representing the organization of El Comité Contra la Represión.

The evening program consisted of musical entertainment, New Afrikan poetry, boot dancers and solidarity speakers from the Pan Africanist Congress of Azania (PAC), the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional, and a solidarity letter from New Afrikan prisoners.

The keynote speaker, Brother Adewole Umoja, spoke about the need to support our Freedom Fighters now while they are alive and active and not after the fact. He also dealt with key ideological issues of our movement.

The participation of and response from the masses of Black people on that day was well spirited and inspiring. It showed that just every-

day Black folk believe we need an army and do support our Freedom Fighters.

**FREE THE LAND!**

Brothers and Sisters, I'm very happy to be here this evening. I feel particularly inspired by the communique that the Sister preceding me read. It lets us know that our Brothers and Sisters who are in fact the Freedom Fighters have not been hounded out of existence by white america that they are in fact alive, vibrant, still dedicated to struggle. I think it was a most eloquent exposition of the political commitment and the ideals of our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters. We should take their words to heart, not only honor our Brothers and Sisters, but begin to become personifications of their struggle our selves.

We're here today to honor our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters. We want to honor them now while they are

with us and not after the fact. You know it's very easy to honor people after the fact. After the historical record has become perfectly clear. After endorsements, after their historical validity has been made. But its very hard, it takes integrity, it takes guts, it takes purpose and clear political direction to understand and to see while they are alive, while they are engaged in activity, that they in fact do represent the best in Black america. They do represent the best in our New Afrikan Nation.

Now, in attempting to honor our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters we have come under some comments. I've heard people say that we're bringing 'heat' on their organizations. That we're causing increased repression and infiltration to come about because we take a position that we must honor our combatants. I think

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August 20, 1982

## SOLIDARITY DEMONSTRATIONS BUILD SUPPORT FOR NEW AFRIKA

Over 200 white anti-imperialists marched in New York and Los Angeles on August 20th to support New Afrikan Freedom Fighters and the New Afrikan (Black) Nation's struggle for land, independence and socialism. The demonstrations, sponsored by the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee and the Coalition to Defend the October 20th Freedom Fighters, were in solidarity with mobilizations in the New Afrikan communities of Harlem and Watts called by the National Committee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters. The purpose of the mobilizations was to honor the tradition of Black resistance and advance support for the freedom fighters; in particular, those captured New Afrikan and white anti-imperialist combatants of the Revolutionary Armed Task Force who are currently standing trial for the

attempted expropriation of \$1.6 million from an armored Brink's truck in Nyack, New York on October 20, 1981.

The New York mobilization, which brought demonstrators from Washington, D.C., Kentucky, Chicago, Massachusetts and Connecticut, targeted the FBI offices and the Metropolitan Correctional Center (MCC). At FBI offices, the demonstration militantly denounced the Joint Terrorist Task Force's (JTTF) unsuccessful year-long offensive to destroy the Black Liberation Army and its Revolutionary Armed Task Force (RATF). Since the attempted Brink's expropriation, the JTTF has murdered Mtayari Shabaka Sundiata, tortured Sekou Odinga and Solomon Brown, and imprisoned seven New Afrikan and white anti-imperialists who refused

to collaborate/snitch in any way with the illegitimate grand juries called to investigate Nyack. When the demonstration moved to MCC, the grand jury resisters were able to hear the chants from the street below.

In Los Angeles, demonstrators from Texas, Colorado, Oregon and California met with police harassment and surveillance as they marched through downtown streets during rush hour. The demonstrators rallied outside the Los Angeles County Sheriff's office, the FBI offices, and at the infamous "Glass House," home of L.A. killer cops. Calling L.A. "killer cop capital of the West," speakers condemned the recent shooting of an unarmed Black woman which resulted in the murder of her unborn child. Also condemned was the blatant white supremacy of L.A. Police Chief Gates who said that more New Afrikans die at the hands of pig choke holds because "their arteries aren't normal." Outside the "Glass House," demonstrators chanted "L.A.P.D., you can't hide. We charge you with genocide!"

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# NATIONAL CONFERENCE STRENGTHENS STRUGGLE AGAINST REPRESSION

— speech by José Lopez, National Co-ordinator of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional

The National Conference Against Repression was held in Denver, Colorado on May 28-30, 1982. The conference was attended by 500 activists from national liberation and anti-imperialist movements in North America. In speeches, workshops and plenary meetings the participants discussed the repression being directed by U.S. imperialism against revolutionary and progressive movements. It was agreed that the current wave of grand jury and FBI repression must be met by a stance of complete non-collaboration. The conference pledged support for grand jury resisters, political prisoners, and prisoners of war, and stated that this support must be built in the context of the revolutionary struggles for independence and land for New Afrika, independence and socialism for Puerto Rico and for the socialist reunification of Mexico.

The following speech was presented at the conference by Jose Lopez, National Coordinator of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional.

Compañeros y compañeras, let me say two very personal things because I think they sort of determine a little bit of how I'm going to make my presentation today. One is that yesterday, actually at one fifteen in the morning on May 29th of last year, I was watching the news, and I learned that my brother had been captured in Glenview, Illinois. So yesterday is exactly one year since the capture of my brother, Oscar Lopez, one of the 11 Puerto Rican Prisoners of War. I also learned yesterday when we made a phone call to Chicago that my father has two cancerous tumors in his brain and the doctors gave him a few days, probably, at the most to live. If I sound a little bit incoherent, it's because those things do effect you, and particularly because one of the things that I want to discuss today is not really the state of the Puerto Rican struggle in the United States, but I think something more important in the context of world-wide revolution. It has to do seriously with the way we conceive of the world.

I started with these two personal things because in my life there have been two really great inspirations, at least in my early years. And one of them, of course, was my mother and father, who I think like all parents, particularly those who come from oppressed communities, gave us the first idea of what is to be -- in our case, what it was to be a Puerto Rican and what it meant to struggle. And the other, of course, was my brother, who has inspired me and continues to inspire me and all of our work, even from prison, from Leavenworth.

I am very fortunate to have a family who has supported me, supported my brother. It comes out of that tie, that bond, that my father and mother gave us, and what it was to be a Puerto Rican.

Yesterday, as I was emceeing the session on the POWs and the grand jury there was a series of questions. I think somehow, and I think that's part of our problem sometimes in presentations, we gear the discussion

over certain things about legalism. And people were asking questions about the fifth amendment, they were asking questions about collaboration, etc. Don Juan last night in his presentation said that the only articles that the Liga believe in were Article M-16 and AK-47.

That brings us to at least the conception that some of us have, that even though we believe that we must dismember the state, and even though we believe that the New Afrikan nation must emerge, that Mexico must be reunified, and that Puerto Rico must become independent, we still have a vision of legalism which we must get out of our minds.

Many people talk about the US constitution as if somehow it is separate from the state. Well, today I want to say a few things about that.

People, when we look at the so-called democratic institutions, we have to go back to the 17th century thinkers like Hobbes and Locke. When we study political science in this society, we are told that there was a certain division between Hobbes and Locke, and that there is a certain division even between the constitution of the US and the federal structure of the US, that the federal state represents the government, and that the constitution is somehow above that. Hobbes believed in authority, Locke believed in liberty. Thus we are presented with a paradox.

In the constitution of the US, we read that the first 10 amendments to the constitution are called the Bill of Rights. These are the rights of each individual. In that same document, not to talk about its racist connotations and its implications, we find that there is a tremendous amount of effort made by the so-called founding fathers, to the effect that the constitution of the US was to guarantee domestic tranquillity. I believe that one of the articles reads to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union and suppress insurrection and expel invaders or repel invasion. Now, what

is the constitution saying? To suppress insurrection. My friends, how can we sit in this room and talk about revolution, about the destruction of the federal state, and still try to think that there is somehow justice in the land. And the reason for that is because we, all of us here, are part of a system, the most advanced system (as a matter of fact, Alexis de Tocqueville spent volumes writing about it), one of the most advanced forms of government that has ever been put together.

Karl Marx and Engels were the first to discuss the nature of the state. No one prior to them had really gone into discussing the state in relationship to the economic system. And they did a good job, and so did Lenin in his *State and Revolution*. But because in the period of time that Marx and Engels and Lenin were writing, none of them really understood one of the most important aspects of the modern state, particularly of the modern federal imperialist state of the US and of most of Western Europe: it is led by a very advanced class, which because of its ability to exploit and oppress, has been able to study and to think, etc. Marx, in the *Communist Manifesto*, says the bourgeoisie must settle everywhere, must nestle everywhere. What Marx was really saying (but that he didn't really develop) was the hegemonic perspective of the bourgeoisie. That's why it is difficult to develop real interest in a mass movement in the United States that is revolutionary. Because on the one hand, there is still, of course, the few crumbs by which people are bought out. But more than that, it is the hegemony of the state and the control that it has over our minds that teaches us that there is a constitution of the US which is somehow above (something like a Queen of England is in terms of the British commonwealth) everything else. Something we can always appeal to. On the other hand, there is a position in this country founded

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These revolutionary leaders were among the participants at the National Conference Against Repression and Fascism in Denver. Pictured from left to right: Judith Mirkinson, New Movement in Solidarity with the Puerto Rican and Mexican Revolutions; a representative of the Movimiento Popular Dominicana; Serge Mukendi, Congolese National Liberation Front; Ahmed Obafemi, National Committee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters; Don Juan Antonio Corretjer, Liga Socialista Puertorriquena; Ricardo Romero, Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional — ChicanoMexicano Commission; Comrade Cipriano, Comite de Defensa Popular; Jose Lopez, Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional — Puerto Rican Commission; a representative of the Committee for Democratic Palestine.



## GRAND JURY JAILS INDEPENDENTISTAS

"I appear before you to tell you nothing. I appear without a lawyer as an action to escalate the denunciation of the illegality of all the activities of this institution called a Federal Grand Jury and this so-called Federal Court. I do not recognize, in any way, the laws of any foreign government in my country. You have the power at the moment. But the day will come when you will not."

With these words, Puerto Rican independentista Ricarte Montes Garcia refused to collaborate with the federal grand jury in Puerto Rico and was jailed on June 21. Montes Garcia, a leading member of the Liga Socialista Puertorriquena, had been subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury investigating the May 16 armed attack on U.S. sailors in San Juan. (The Macheteros, a clandestine independence organization, claimed responsibility for that action which killed one sailor and wounded three others.) Montes Garcia asserted that the U.S. grand jury had no jurisdiction in colonized Puerto Rico, and refused to talk, provide fingerprints or any other identification to the investigators. He has been exiled to the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York City, where independentista Norberto Cintron Fiallo is also being held for refusing to cooperate with the grand jury. His jail term for contempt of the grand jury could last up to 18 months.

A few days before his scheduled release from prison, Grand Jury resister Norberto Cintron Fiallo was resubpoenaed and resented to prison for refusing to collaborate with a newly impaneled Federal Grand Jury.

Another resister, Carlos Noya of the Liga Socialista Puertorriquena, was released March 23 after serving 17 months for his refusal to give information to the Grand Jury.

Cintron Fiallo, a Puerto Rican revolutionary and labor activist, had been scheduled for release on March 27. He had spent 11 months in a New York prison for refusing to cooperate with the Grand Jury investigating the actions of the armed clandestine independence movement.

When that Grand Jury's term expired, a new one was impaneled to take its place, and Cintron Fiallo was flown in chains to San Juan. When he again refused to cooperate with the Grand Jury and denounced it as an instrument of political repression, he was charged with civil contempt. He was sent back to prison in New York, where he could serve up to 36 more months under the term of the current Grand Jury.

Supporters are urged to write the comrades: M.C.C., 150 Park Road, Floor 7N, NY, NY 10007



**Ricarte Montes Garcia**

## GRAND JURY RESISTERS ARRESTED

Unable to find the FALN, u.s. imperialism is lashing out at its public supporters.

Five Puerto Rican and ChicanoMexicano activists, who last winter refused to collaborate with a federal grand jury "investigating" the Puerto Rican independence movement, have now been arrested and charged with criminal contempt. Four of the five -- Steven Guerra, Ricardo Romero, Julio Rosado and Maria Cueto -- are leaders of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN), a revolutionary Puerto Rican and ChicanoMexicano organization in the u.s. The fifth, Andres Rosado, is a supporter of the MLN. They each face five years in jail for the "crime" of refusing to betray the Puerto Rican independence movement. Their trial is scheduled to begin December 13th.

The FBI and justice Department orchestrated media events on September 24 and September 27 to accomplish in the press what they have not been able to achieve in real life -- the death of the FALN. On the 24th, Gestapo-like teams of FBI agents in three u.s. cities simultaneously seized and jailed four of the activists. The Hollywood sensationalism of the arrests was meant to convey that the prisoners were dangerous fugitives, when in reality they were all well-known public political activists who, for many years, have

been openly organizing in their communities. On September 27th, the FBI called a press conference in New York to announce that the five prisoners were "the last remaining leaders of the FALN." The FBI knows very well that this is a lie. Why else would they have released all five on their own recognizance if the five were actually believed to be leaders of the FALN, a group which the director of the FBI described last year as "the most dangerous terrorist group in the U.S."

The FBI's false accusation, which was widely publicized by the national news media, has a very specific purpose. It is part of the government's strategy to use grand juries to criminalize the Puerto Rican Independence Movement; to say to the public that those people who refuse to collaborate are criminals and terrorists who do not deserve support.

The FBI hopes to mask the true purposes of the grand jury which is to intimidate and destroy the public support for the FALN and the entire armed clandestine movement for Puerto Rican independence. This is the necessary prerequisite for the destruction of the Puerto Rican national reality. The FBI knows that public leaders like those arrested are not likely to talk, and then the government can use their

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# STOP REPRESSION OF PUERTO RICAN & CHICANOMEXICANO REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENTS

## NO COLLABORATION

## SMASH GRAND JURIES





# MESSAGES FROM CLANDESTINITY

## Black People, My People! My Name is Fulani-Ali

i am a Black woman  
i am a New Afrikan woman  
i am a Muslim woman  
i am a revolutionary woman  
a wife and mother  
i am a part of you!

Throughout most of my life, i have loved my people, have prayed for my people, i have cried for my people, i have worked for my people.

On October 27, 1981 i was unjustly arrested in Byrdtown, Mississippi, with two adults and twelve children. They were all handcuffed and taken to jail with me, including the children (9 months to 13 years old). i was framed and it was proven. So i was released after nine days (7 of them spent in the hole). Yet i was subpoenaed on the day of my release to appear before a R.I.C.O. grand jury investigating the Brinks's incident in Nyack, N.Y. They asked for my fingerprints, (taken 10 times already) my handwriting, (i have signed prison forms) my hair and all my knowledge of everyone and anyone they choose to demand information about. Twice i stood in the federal court and asked them to show cause for railroading me. They refused.

Twice i refused to cooperate or collaborate. Twice i went peaceably off to jail for nothing. Twice i was thrown in the hole at the Metropolitan Correctional Center (MCC) as if i were a convicted criminal or an animal. Twice i was released--no charges! Twice i became ill and had to receive medical treatment, for a hyperactive thyroid. There will be no third time, in-sha-allah! i am no fool, i will not continue to surrender myself and place my life in the hands of this racist, imperialist Nazi-like government and authorize them taking me out for the count. Three strikes, you're out.

There are 13 children out there who need your help and support. Sister Jerry Gaines is now serving 18 months for non-cooperation with R.I.C.O. grand jury. She has 8 children, i have 5. Sister Jerry Gaines is also innocent of any connection with the Brinks incident before, during or after. My children, our children are victims of a vicious terrorist conspiracy to break up Black families--leave them homeless, motherless and fatherless. They are your children too, love them and protect them. Please send money, clothes and letters to them by registered and certified mail to P.O. Box 3472, New Orleans, LA. 70177.

The point is that if the United Snakes government framed me yesterday and continues to hound me for vengeance's sake today, then each of us can expect the same treatment tomorrow. If they came for us in the morning, they'll come for you in the afternoon. If we allow Black people to be dealt with individually today, then the United Snakes will feel free to deal with us in such a manner until there are none of us left to struggle. Wake up! Get up! Stand up!

To all of my family, my comrades, my people, i love you and i will continue to work for our liberation wherever i go.

*The struggle for land continues!*

--Spring '82

Communique from

## THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMED TASK FORCE OF THE BLACK LIBERATION ARMY

### New Afrikan Freedom Fighters Day

This analysis of who are our freedom fighters does not try to run from internal contradictions but establishes the primary point of unity and its importance at this time. The fascist regime is presently engaged in an effort to distort our goals in order to squash public support and alienate the community from the combatants. Our oppressors hope to smash the spirit of our freedom fighters - this they will never do. Unity among our various combatants and community support will enable us to withstand their onslaughts.

When we talk of freedom fighters for the Black Nation and Black survival we're talking of individuals who fit at least one of six categories:

(1) Those brothers and sisters who have evaluated the position of resistance to our oppression from every angle and decided we must join the ranks of every other self-respecting nation in the world. In order to do this they have decided that a common army is needed. An army that has no other goal but to protect the lives and the goals of defined and undefined Black Nation, LONG LIVE ALL UNDERGROUND ARMIES!

(2) Those individuals who represent community organizations that are involved in the day to day effort to gain social and political goals for the Black Community in spite of the pressure put upon them by the u.s. government. They attempt to establish self-respect among the Black population and try to create role models for our youth. This group protects the community leaders and youth from the brunt of the daily disrespect our nation has to tolerate. THEY serve notice

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WHO ARE NEW AFRIKAN FREEDOM FIGHTERS?

WHAT DO THEY REPRESENT?

New Afrikan Freedom Fighters represent the first point of resistance for the Black Nation. Under different variations and interpretations, they represent the continuity of our struggle for self-determination. They are contemporary manifestations of the examples of struggle that constitute our national legacy. They represent the unconquerable will of our people that enabled us to survive the most brutal form of oppression the world has known. Simultaneously, New Afrikan Freedom Fighters exemplify our recognition of the need to confront and vanquish our oppressors.

The fact that many different freedom fighters belong to various organizations and represent different styles of work only points to the need to establish UNITY in the army. The differences should be handled from an internal strategy.

The Black nation should be mobilized and organized to support its freedom fighters wherever they are. In the spirit of national unity, survival and liberation these comrades have faced the enemy demonstrating the willingness to sacrifice their lives and families. These comrades have put the survival of the Black nation above themselves and have served notice that there will never be another Black Holocaust.

The background of our freedom fighters varies - coming from differing sectors of our nation - from the streets, college campuses, doctors, lawyers and everyday workers. Our soldiers and freedom fighters have crossed class and sex lines, united in their motivation to defend the Black nation and give aid to freedom loving people the world over.



August 21st, 1982, New Afrikan Freedom Fighters' Day, marked the 151st anniversary of Nat Turner's slave rebellion in Southampton County, VA (1831).



# FALN BOMBS WALL STREET



On March 1st, 1982, armed units of the Fuerzas Armadas de Liberacion Nacional (F.A.L.N.), bombed the Wall Street financial district in New York City in a pre-dawn attack in commemoration of the heroic raid on the U.S. Congress in 1954 by Puerto Rican Nationalists. The Fuerzas Armadas de Liberacion Nacional is an armed clandestine organization which actively struggles for the independence and socialism of Puerto Rico. Since 1974, the F.A.L.N. have claimed responsibility for more than 100 armed actions in the U.S.

The four high potency bombs caused extensive damage to the New York Stock Exchange, the American Stock Exchange, the Chase Manhattan Bank and the brokerage firm of Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith. However, no injuries were reported.

In a communique found later that morning, the F.A.L.N. claimed responsibility for the action, calling the bombings "A strike against the imperialist forces that are suppressing the Puerto Rican people." They demanded the immediate release of the 11 Puerto Rican Prisoners of War captured on April 4, 1980, and expressed their solidarity with the captured combatants of the Black Liberation Army and the Revolutionary Armed Task Force. The F.A.L.N. also stated that this action was in solidarity with the people of El Salvador.

With the arrest of the 11 Puerto Rican Prisoners of War in April of 1980, and the subsequent arrest of Oscar Lopez-Rivera, F.B.I. officials arrogantly proclaimed that they had "broken the back of the F.A.L.N." However, this latest upsurge of revolutionary activity clearly demonstrates that although the setbacks suffered by the revolutionary independence movement in the past two years have been injurious, they have been far from fatal. The F.A.L.N. is alive and well!

The F.A.L.N. assumes full responsibility for the bombings which have occurred in the financial sector of Wall Street on Sunday, Feb. 28, 1982. This armed attack against yanki imperialist corporations and institutions is part of our continuing war for the liberation of our homeland from United States colonialism, for the immediate and unconditional release of our Prisoners of War and Political Prisoners and in solidarity with the heroic people of El Salvador and its armed Vanguard the Frente Farabundo Marti de Liberacion Nacional (F.M.L.N.).

It is the response of the Puerto Rican people in exile to the latest pronouncements by the U.S. imperialists as manifested through their mouthpieces Reagan (Jan. 12, 1982) and Speaker of the House O'Neil (Feb. 12, 1982) that the yanki imperialist government supports statehood for Puerto Rico. Again the imperialists have made clear their designs for our homeland: to culminate the colonization of Puerto Rico by absorbing it into the yanki federal state. They intend to do this with the support and blessing of international capitalism as was clearly stated in 1977 by then president Ford at a Trilateral Commission meeting held on Puerto Rican soil on land stolen from us by the parasitic, conniving thieves and murderers, the Rockefeller.

We, the oppressed Puerto Rican nationality forced to abandon our beloved homeland to live and survive in the wretched slums and ghettos of the U.S., know what statehood really signifies for the Puerto Rican people. We are living it. Statehood for Puerto Rico means genocide. It is a life of servitude to the interests of a profit hungry, parasitic minority, the total destruction of our identity, language, values, nationality, culture and the plunder and rape of our land and natural resources for the benefit of the capitalists. This we must and will resist. Puerto Rico is not nor ever will be part of the U.S.A. Puerto Rico belongs to the

Puerto Rican people. This we will defend and fight for until victory or death.

The F.A.L.N. wishes to bring to the attention of the people of Puerto Rico, the United States and the world the inhumane treatment that our jailed comrades and members of our organization, the Eleven Puerto Rican Prisoners of War (Oscar Lopez Rivera, Lucy Rodriguez, Carlos Alberto Torres, Haydee Torres, Luis Rosa, Alicia Rodriguez, Ricardo Jimenez, Dylcia Pagan Morales, Adolfo Matos Antongiorgi, Elizam Escobar, Carmen Valentin) are receiving in the dungeons of the yanki prison system. Their health problems have been ignored, prison authorities are constantly harassing and attempting to provoke them, they have been kept in lock-up and isolation for weeks at a time, family visits have been interfered with, literature and reading material is denied them, and they are constantly being placed in situations where physical and mental stress is applied.

This has included the shooting of a bullet into the cell of Luis Rosa and the denial of medical attention for Haydee Torres even when prison doctors diagnosed the possibility of her having an early stage of cancer. Despite a national and international campaign which mobilized medical groups, civic and religious organizations, workers, students and professionals who pressured the yanki government and its Bureau of Prisons, she has not been attended to.

Our organization will not tolerate any physical or mental harm done to our comrades to go unanswered. We demand they be treated as Prisoners of War as stated by the Geneva Convention and the United Nations Protocols concerning freedom fighters captured in wars of national liberation. We hold the yanki capitalist class and the sadistic beasts who operate and compose its repressive forces responsible for any harm which may befall our Prisoners of War, Political Prisoners and for any attacks aimed at crushing and repressing the legitimate aspirations of our people for independence and socialism. This is not an empty boast. Yanki imperialism well knows that Puerto Rican Revolutionaries do not bluff. They have felt our bullets and smelled the odor of our dynamite from Colonel Riggs, to Blair House, the attack on Congress, the Anglers Club, Sabana Seca.

The Puerto Rican struggle for independence and socialism is part of the revolution of the oppressed and exploited masses of Latin America against the oligarchies, capitalism and imperialism.

It is also part of the international working class revolution for the destruction of capitalism and the construction of socialism. As revolutionaries we are united with the oppressed and exploited masses of the world and we clearly understand that the only progressive governments are those which are being guided by Marxist-Leninist principles and are constructing a socialist society free of class exploitation.

For these reasons we reject the hypocritical "support" and "solid-

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# RESISTANCE TO RICO GRAND JURY CONTINUES

Presently, seven comrades, four New Afrikans and three north americans, are being held at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York because of their refusal to collaborate with the RICO grand jury's investigation aimed at destroying the armed clandestine forces fighting for the independence of New Afrika. New Afrika is the name of the colonized Black Nation inside the u.s. in the states of Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and South Carolina.

This Racketeer Influence in Corrupt Organizations (RICO) grand jury is the government's response to the heightened activity by the Black Liberation Army (BLA) and in particular the attempted expropriation on October 20th, 1981 by the Revolutionary Armed Task Force (RATF). Under the RICO grand jury, any member of an organization can be prosecuted for anything the government claims that any other member did. They don't have to prove any "illegal" acts were committed or even intended; the issue is solely political beliefs and association. Previously applied to gangsters, the u.s. is moving to apply these laws to political revolutionary forces.

The u.s. state is using the grand jury and fabricated "links" with the October 20th action as instruments of terror in order to destroy public support for the BLA and RATF. It is trying to isolate them and create an atmosphere of fear and intimidation in the New Afrikan and white anti-imperialist movements.

The first wave of grand jury repression resulted in the issuing of subpoenas to Fulani Sunni-Ali, Jerry Gaines, Yassyn Fula, Eve Rosahn, and Asha Sundiata. These comrades stood up to the efforts of intimidation by the F.B.I.- N.Y. Police Joint Terrorist Task Force and



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all refused to testify or give exemplars (samples of their hair, handwriting or fingerprints).

Sister Fulani Sunni-Ali, chairperson of the Peoples Center Council of the Republic of New Afrika and a leader of the revolutionary New Afrikan Independence Movement, was re-subpoenaed after the u.s. attorney was forced to publicly admit she had been falsely arrested in Mississippi on October 27, 1981 during a mili-

tary assault by 200 Federal agents. Fulani did not appear before the grand jury and has been hunted by the FBI ever since. (See her statement, p. 6).

Unable to "crack" the armed clandestine movement, the grand jury launched a broad attack on institutions and individuals in the New Afrikan community. Claiming to be

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*Abdul Majid and Basheer Hameed (James York)*

## State's Frame-up Continues



police, Mayor Koch had gone on television and radio calling whomever shot them "mad dog executioners" and announcing a nationwide hunt for the Black Liberation Army, in particular Assata Shakur, Majid and Hameed. In August 1981, Basheer Hameed was arrested in South Carolina. In January 1982, Abdul Majid was arrested in Philadelphia and was immediately indicted for having allegedly participated in the October 20th expropriation attempt. These charges were subsequently dropped.

The state intensified its attempt to whip up mass support for the police against the BLA once the trial began on June 21st. Day after day the district attorney and the Patrolman's Benevolent Association packed the courtroom with their supporters, trying to keep New Afrikans and their supporters out. The N.Y. newspapers assisted willingly, by running countless articles which were written by the district attorney's office, and a local tv station ran a movie about the BLA assassination of a dope-dealing policeman on the Lower East Side that took place in the 1970s. The u.s. government had, in fact, convicted Hameed and Majid before the trial even began.

The government's lies and inconsistencies were, however, consistently exposed by the defense. The architect of the frame-up was NYPD Detective McTighe, who primed all the witnesses and searched for ones who would be willing to corroborate the state's case. While on the stand, McTighe admitted that he had suppressed testimony of a cab driver who was originally portrayed as a key prosecution witness because "it didn't help the case." Mr. Benjamin, the cab driver, had changed his testimony several times. Other significant prosecution witnesses were hypnotized by the police officer in order to "identify" Majid and Basheer.

The surviving police officer, Rainey, was the government's key witness. Originally Rainey said that he didn't see the shooting and later changed his testimony to positively identify Hameed, despite his admitting to the fact that he was hiding under the dashboard during the "shoot-out."

The state has announced its intention to retry Hameed and Majid on the murder charge. At the same time the government, having failed in its first attempt to convict them on the murder charge, is trying to get them sentenced as "habitual criminals," which could result in them receiving life sentences.

**STOP THE RAILROAD!  
FREE ABDUL MAJID AND BASHEER HAMEED!**

On August 9, 1982, after a week of jury deliberation, New Afrikan Freedom Fighters Basheer Hameed (James York) and Abdul Majid were found not guilty of attempted murder in the first degree and guilty of attempted murder in the second degree of a police officer. They received a hung jury on a charge of murder in the first degree of another police officer. Both Majid and Hameed are being framed because of their histories as activists in the Black Liberation Movement.

Within hours of the original April 16th, 1981 shooting of two New York





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people that has ever called themselves civilized.

Black people in the United States are a colonized people and have always been a colonized people. What is meant by "a colonized people?" A colonized people is a people whose land, labor and resources are controlled and exploited by another group of people. It makes the colonized dependent on the exploiting group. Dependent on them for almost everything. Their laws, their livelihood, their protection, their every way of life. A colonized people don't ask to be dependent, it is forced on them, usually with arms, as it was forced on my Afrikan forefathers. And it is with arms that their hold is usually broken by the oppressed people. The U.S. Declaration of Independence declares, "that all men are created equal, that they

are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, that whenever any form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness.

"But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their duty, to throw off such Government and to provide new Guards for their future security." On Jan. 24, 1979 the United Nations passed a specific resolution stating "The General Assembly declares that Freedom Fighters captured during the struggle for liberation must be entitled to Prisoner of War status in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Geneva Convention." In 1950 as part of its "Programme of Action" to end Colonialism the Gen-

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## From Kuwesi Balagoon — New Afrikan Prisoner of War

As an anti-imperialist and a warrior of African descent, dedicated to the overthrow of the United States government, as an urban guerilla in the ranks of the Black Liberation Army, I will not only resist the designs of a sham hypocritical system of law, but outright refuse to take any part in court proceedings. At large, I do not pay taxes, aid the fascist law enforcement authorities, or pass up reasonable opportunities to strike the oppressors, and find no reason to change now or any time in the future. As long as the United States government keeps the masses of Black and other Third World people as cannon fodder, and uses force to maintain its domination over us, and I am alive, I will resist, knowing that my fate as a resister irregardless of the state's consequences is better than the fates of those who accept oppression and pass it on to coming generations.

The gang of bullies under the banner of the American flag who practice genocide against Black, Latin and Native American peoples within its confines, while harboring nazis and secret police from other fascist regimes, and arming and training Ku Klux Klanners and domestic Nazis, deserves no respite, and its a sad day whenever they do. The United States, Israel, and South Africa, stand as expanding imperialist settler states, rotten to their cores, from inception. Their fall will mark the end of a tragic era in history, worth all truly revolutionary efforts.



social system - imperialism - in power. This court has no right to try us. I will not participate in these hearings. The mass media, controlled by big money, serves these same ends. The FBI/police/media have waged a massive campaign of slander against us, a campaign highly political and reactionary in character. Can we now expect that the courts and media will provide us a comparable forum to answer their lies and racism?

Let no one be fooled by their cries of "law and order" and "stop crime." If those were the real concerns, war criminals like Nixon and McNamara would be in prison, killer cops would no longer be walking the streets, the Ku Klux Klan would have been wiped out, the corporations that grow fat from Apartheid in South Africa and from racism would have been seized long ago.

The only way we will get justice is to build a revolutionary movement that fights for it.



## Statement from Judy Clark

I am a revolutionary and an anti-imperialist freedom fighter, committed to overturning this system of exploitation, to the liberation of the captive Black Nation of New Afrika and all oppressed nations and to a socialist future. I do not recognize the legitimacy of this court to try us, because it is only a part of the government's armed apparatus of war to maintain power and domination. I will not participate in these so-called legal proceedings.

This court will never seek justice for the theft and enslavement of millions of Afrikan people. For the armed robbery and continued occupation of Native American, Mexican and Puerto Rican land and sovereignty. For the stolen lives and labor of all those whose work brings nothing but riches to the powerful.

Two thousand Black people have been murdered with impunity by the police in the u.s. over the last five years. When this happens in Northern Ireland it is called war. Here, they try to call it justice.

For 400 years, the rulers of this empire have used force of arms, terror and white supremacy to enslave, dominate and exploit Black people. For just as long, Black people have resisted and fought for their human rights and freedom. They have fought for land and independence as the only means to secure their rights as a people. The most far-sighted and class conscious white people have joined in solidarity with this struggle as the only road to a society based in justice, equality and power to working people.

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## Statement from David Gilbert

The government that dropped napalm in Vietnam, that provides the cluster bombs used against civilians in Lebanon, and that trains the torturers in El Salvador calls us "terrorists." The rulers who have grown rich on generations of slave labor and slave wages violently imposed on Black people labels us as "criminals." The police forces of Amerika who have murdered over 2,000 Third World people in the last five years and who flood the communities with drugs say that we "have no respect for human life."

We are neither terrorists or criminals. It is precisely because of our love of life, because we revel in the human spirit, that we became freedom fighters against this racist and deadly imperialist system.

The lesson of history is that oppression calls forth rebellion; social structures that live off plunder, exploitation and degradation mandate revolution. The 400 years of the rip-off of the labor and ingenuity of African people in the New World created their absolute right of self-determination and national liberation; the 400 years of brutal repression created the necessity of armed struggle to achieve those rights. White people with any sense of justice and with any hope for living in a humane and cooperative society must fully ally with Black liberation.

There should be no illusions that these proceedings will be fair and impartial. The courts, along with the army and the police, are very much a part of the repressive apparatus that maintains this criminal and thoroughly illegitimate



Zionism is Racism

# PALESTINE WILL WIN!

## New Afrika and Palestine Linked in Common Struggle

— National Committee to Defend  
New Afrikan Freedom Fighters

*"In today's world...there is a championship wrestling match being fought. There is a struggle on the international level...it is a struggle between the forces of enslavement and the forces of freedom...between the minority of exploiters and the masses...between classes, the imperialist class, which owns the means of production and the oppressed...do you want to be spectators at this championship wrestling match? The battle of all humanity...the battle of all the masses...the battle between freedom and oppression." -- George Habash, General Secretary of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.*

The struggle to liberate Palestine and the struggle to free New Afrika are the same struggle. These struggles are both national liberation struggles to liberate their respective national territories from the evil systems of capitalism, white supremacist settler colonialism, and imperialism. New Afrika and Palestine are linked in a common struggle against a common enemy--u.s.-led imperialism.

The Palestinian nation--occupied and scattered due to the terrorism and aggression of the Zionists armed to the teeth by u.s.-led imperialism --is waging a life and death struggle to regain their homeland and build a democratic secular Palestinian state. The present "israeli" settler state is a white supremacist state established and based in illegitimacy. Just as religion and "manifest destiny" were used in North America to wrest sovereignty and

wage genocide on Native Nations, steal the Northern part of Mexico and rob captive Afrikans of the right of self determination on land they had worked and developed for over 200 years, so have the Zionists robbed the Palestinians of their land.

Palestinian revolutionaries have identified the strategy of People's War as the only strategy that will liberate the Palestinian nation and contribute to the total destruction of imperialism in the Middle East. Palestinian revolutionaries understand in order to defeat Zionism, Arab reaction and u.s. imperialism they must build strategic alliances with other Arab revolutionaries in a combat front to mobilize the oppressed Arab masses to fight for liberation, democracy, and socialism.

The murder and genocide waged on Palestinian women and children after the removal of PLO fighters from West Beirut, Lebanon by Fascist "Christian" militia, Zionism, and u.s. imperialism shows that "without a people's army a people have nothing." With their Freedom Fighters dispersed throughout the Arab World the Palestinian masses were defenseless without armed combatants to confront the terrorism of imperialism. New Afrikans are victims to the same uncontested violence without a Black Liberation Army.

New Afrikan Revolutionaries have historically shown support for the national liberation of the Palestinian Nation and recognized Zionism as a manifestation of the common enemy of the Palestinian and the New Afrikan Nations--imperialism led by the u.s.a. Our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters have carried on the internationalist tradition of expressing solidarity with the Palestinian Resistance.

On September 20, 1982 in New City,

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## FALN Bombing in Solidarity

On Monday, September 20, 1982, the Fuerzas Armadas de Liberacion Nacional Puertorriquena (FALN) bombed the Bankers' Trust building in Manhattan in support of the heroic resistance of the Palestinian people and in protest against the massacre of Palestinians by Zionist and imperialist-backed Phalangist terrorists.

The U.S. news media refused to adequately report this revolutionary action--no doubt because to do so would have exposed the hypocrisy of President Reagan's speech that day "condemning" the massacre and disavowing any U.S. responsibility for the genocide.

The FALN bombing cuts through the passivity and liberalism that has dominated much of the U.S. left's response to the events in Lebanon. As the National Committee to Free Puerto Rican POW's states: "The Puerto Rican revolutionary movement has once again demonstrated what true solidarity is. Solidarity is not mere words and sterile debate, but actions and concrete support."

## STATEMENT OF LEONARD PELTIER

Greetings Comrades, Brothers & Sisters,

I send to you and the Palestinian people my strongest solidarity during this critical period in the struggle of the P.L.O. and Lebanese people against the forces of U.S. and Israeli aggression!

Myself, members of the American Indian Movement (AIM), Leonard Peltier Defense Committee and its support groups stand in solidarity with the struggle of the Palestinian people for their traditional land. We understand your struggle based on our continuing war against the U.S. government and their attempts to annihilate us as a PEOPLE, and to steal what remains of our traditional land as shown by their action at Wounded Knee, Big Mountain and most recently at Lane Deer on the Northern Cheyenne nation. The Israeli troops, in carrying out their genocidal campaign, are acting today as the 7th Cavalry acted in the past and continues to act in Indian Country. THEY are the war criminals who will be tried for their butchery of the Lebanese and Palestinian people in Lebanon! If I were free today I would take our RED warriors to fight side by side with the freedom fighters of the P.L.O. to smash the imperialist forces of the U.S. and Israel. I know that the forces of liberation must and shall come together to fight as a united front in the unity of the four colors. We as RED warriors call upon the YELLOW, BLACK AND WHITE freedom fighters to stand united with the P.L.O. in uncompromising solidarity with the Palestinian and Lebanese people's struggle against the Zionist forces of Israel.

I send my love and blood as a prisoner of war within the belly of the beast to those who continue the struggle.

VICTORY TO THE PALESTINIAN AND  
LEBANESE FREEDOM FIGHTERS!  
VICTORY TO THE P.L.O.!

Leonard Peltier, P.O.W.  
Marion Federal Prison  
7-13-82



# BLOODY RIOTS AT PONTIAC

## RIOT BAITING

Recently reports of increased harassment, originating with the administration's riot fever, have been seeping out of Pontiac State Penitentiary. The incidence of administrative and guard intimidation and attacks on prisoners have been accompanied by hysteria propaganda, emanating from local newspapers. In particular, an extensive two part article in the Bloomington, Illinois Pentagraph outlined the mood of prison staff who predicted a bloody confrontation in the prison.

In response to this situation, an upsurge of prisoner unity has become evident, as a natural first step in Prisoner Self-Defense. The most successful manifestation of unity thus far, has been a 99 percent effective boycott of an administration conceived activity. The aim of the boycott was to show prisoner dissatisfaction with the senseless waste of money used for the activity (\$2,000) that could otherwise have been utilized to help remedy such problems as overcrowding, program and facility shortages that exist today.

To add to the already tense situation, the Pontiac Administration responded by increasing its monitoring of prisoners, the transferring of others and a continuation of its on-

going investigation - assisted by the F.B.I. - into prisoner activities.

## F.B.I. SLANT:

The F.B.I. connection in regard to this situation is a very alarming development, in addition to a most unusual response by the D.O.C. Several facts should be pointed out which may help clarify the role of the F.B.I. in this "liason" with the D.O.C. Presently, and for the last two years, nine of the eleven Puerto Rican P.O.W.'s have been held in Illinois D.O.C. prisons. From the start of their incarceration, it was clear to the Puerto Rican independence movement that this was an attempt to demoralize and destroy the symbol of unity which the Eleven have come to embody by their political stance. Adhering to F.B.I. plans, the D.O.C.'s first step was to divide the Puerto Rican P.O.W.'s by placing them in six different prison facilities - two Federal Correctional Centers, and four State Penitentiaries. In addition, punishment, harassment, interruption of mail, family and legal consultant visits, threats on their lives, negligence in medical treatment, etc. In short, the treatment has followed the time tested methods of the infamous COINTELPRO.

Also of particular importance, has been the government's concern with the impact that the Puerto Rican P.O.W.'s would have on the already volatile environment of their prisons. It was no surprise that the Prison population, which is largely Afro-American, Puerto Rican and Mexican, responded with enthusiasm and interest to the P.O.W.'s. Less of a surprise has been the ongoing investigation by the F.B.I. - D.O.C. into P.O.W. activities in jail. It appears the F.B.I. has long convinced the all too receptive D.O.C. that the P.O.W.'s have organized the existing Latin gang structure into the Puerto Rican independence movement. This echoes the F.B.I.'s long held view that Independence groups such as the F.A.L.N. have for years organized and coopted Puerto Rican street gangs into the independence movement. This, one cannot doubt, has been an attempt to "criminalize" and discredit the combatants and struggle in the eyes of our worker community who have often been the victims of gang violence. More recently, there has been a turn of events which in fact have been very characteristic of F.B.I. investigations. On several occasions, the F.B.I. has visited and attempted to question several of the P.O.W.'s at the prisons. It must be pointed out, however, that ongoing investigations of all prisoners as well as the P.O.W.'s in the prisons have been largely the task of the D.O.C. and the State's Attorney Intraprison Investigators. This has changed dramatically in recent months.

## PRISONER TRANSFERRED:

The recent transfer of a progressive Afro-American prisoner who was discovered running an "underground" prison newsletter, has brought to light some disturbing facts. On his arrival at the Menard State Penitentiary (where two of the P.O.W.'s are held), he was interrogated for several hours by four men who identified themselves as F.B.I. agents. The prisoner (John McIntosh) who refused to collaborate with the F.B.I., was questioned about his alleged involvement with, and recruitment into the F.A.L.N.; his alleged knowledge of F.A.L.N. plans and activities; F.A.L.N. involvement with the Prison "underground" newsletter, etc. In short, it seems the D.O.C. - F.B.I. connection has decided on a plan which includes using the P.O.W.'s as a scapegoat for all the unrest that exists and has existed for years as a result of the D.O.C. negligence and failure to resolve the ills in its prison system. Their joint investigation is geared towards proving these irresponsible allegations and obvious flights of fancy.

## DRUGS USED TO INTERROGATE PRISONERS:

Even more vicious and nefarious, not to mention illegal under international and U.S. laws, has been the recent development regarding another progressive prisoner, a Puerto Rican, Roberto Tosado.

It has come to our attention that Mr. Tosado had been placed in the so-called quiet room in the Pontiac Penitentiary, under the pretext of a medical condition. (Mr. Tosado suffers from epilepsy). The quiet room is an area in the Prison Hospital, a stripped cell used to tempo-

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# "We are Fighting for FREEDOM, LAND

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its very important that we address this phenomenon.

Aside from this statement, these sentiments being absolutely absurd, they represent a tendency to vacillate. They represent a tendency to have weak knees in the face of our imperialist oppression.

Now in honoring our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters we're honoring a particular historical tradition. A tradition of struggle, of defiance, and of self-sacrifice. But in honoring them, we also have to recognize that opposites exist. That there also has been, and continues to be, a tendency within our national liberation movement for us to deal and compromise, to deal in egoism and to deal in capitulation to the forces of the state. Our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters represent the positive. These unfounded allegations represent the negative.

Our Freedom Fighters are Brothers and Sisters who have come from all sectors, all walks of life in our New Afrikan Nation. They have made a conscious decision that we must obtain FREEDOM, LAND, INDEPENDENCE, and SOCIALISM for our people no matter what the personal sacrifice is to ourselves. They've moved beyond the stage of complaining about oppression and doing nothing about it. You know what I'm talking about. You've seen Brothers and Sisters, they give you a litany of how bad crackers are treating us. I'm out of a job...they're dealing with lobotomies on us...they're dealing with chemical warfare...they can run it down, line by line how bad we are being treated by crackers but when it comes down to doing something about it, they hedge, they vacillate. They're willing to capitulate to the oppressor. Well, these Brothers and Sisters have moved beyond that stage. They've also moved beyond the stage of rhetoric because they know that rhetoric without action is self-deceiving. It generates an illusion, an illusion that will put us to sleep. A sleep that reinforces inactivity and reinforces our oppression. While not ignoring any other form of struggle, our Brothers and Sisters who are Freedom Fighters have made the decision that we must militarily confront our oppressor.

Now, I want to ask you what is the problem that is posed by a military confrontation with our enemies. White military mobilization, police murders, KKK organization and terrorism, genocidal medical practices, chemical warfare, the exploitation of our labor, the expropriation of our land. These are not the result of the military activity by our Freedom Fighters. These things are the cause of the root factors that let us know we need Freedom Fighters to reverse this phenomenon.

We've got to clean up our house, Brothers and Sisters. We have to deal with some introspection. Some self-criticism, understand our strengths, and also point out and deal with our weaknesses. We have to understand that all the murder-mouthing in the world, all the big-talk in the world will not deal with

white america. All the posturing that we have done, they can incorporate that into Black movies, they can make it hip, but that does not change our oppression, that does not change our objective conditions.

If we are really aware of the dynamics of politics, we understand the service that these Brothers and Sisters are rendering to us. All the rhetoric that goes around means nothing without action. Once these Brothers and Sisters have demonstrated that they are willing to act, to make our talk a reality, then the cracker begins to listen to you a little bit closer. They begin to see that you are sane, that your demands become meaningful demands. Somebody who is looked upon as on the outer fringes of the political spectrum somehow all of a sudden becomes acceptable and respectable. You become acceptable and respectable because they know that they'd better deal with you than deal with our Brothers and Sisters who are willing to take it all the way to the brink. You know some of these weak-kneed individuals who are talking about us, our Freedom Fighters, causing the organizations to be infiltrated and causing pressure to come to bear on them, maybe they are not aware of Frederick Douglass when he told us a long time ago what the price of freedom was. He told us that you can't have the ocean without the roar of its mighty waters. You can't have freedom without struggle. And we know that you can't confront the enemy without being prepared to confront the counter pressure that they are capable of bringing.

So if you're serious about struggle, you should be serious about constructing your organizations, getting your discipline together, getting your security together to minimize the ability for infiltration. Otherwise you're just engaging in all this murder-mouth talk that has been going around for umpteens years and has done nothing to qualitatively improve our condition as a people, as an oppressed nation inside white america.

We're not attempting to denigrate any particular form of political



struggle. But what we are here to do is to say that political struggle gets meaning when it is guided by political action that is conceived of and guided by Revolutionary New Afrikan Nationalist theory.

I've been around a little while, I'm not that old, but I'm old enough, and I've seen thousands of conferences, I've seen people praying, I've seen people genuflecting in front of white people, I've seen us kiss white behinds, I've seen bloods with all kinds of skills, all kind of impeccable credentials and they mean nothing if they are not put to the use of New Afrikan National Liberation. Otherwise they are mere chimera, mere trinkets to be thrown about but they do nothing to change our collective condition as an oppressed nation inside north america. So you can keep your credentials if you're not willing to struggle. You can keep your rhetoric if you're not willing to struggle.

Malcolm told us a long time ago anyway, that if you understand what revolution is, you'll step back, you won't be talking so much. You'll understand that its also revolutionary to be silent. To do what you have to do and get on. Its revolutionary to go about the daily work that has to be done without fanfare. Thats what we need, we don't need flamboyant figures, we're not after the second coming of jesus christ. We're after New Afrikan men and women who are out to seek to regain our humanity, who are out to liberate our nation. We can't do this by trying to be media figures. We do this through discipline, through consistent effort, and by knowing when to talk and when to shut up.

Every time I hear these comments from these vacillating individuals I think about Harriet Tubman. All of us throw the name out glibly, we say we honor the Sister, we say we honor what she represents. We have to understand that she lived in a particular time and everything wasn't rosy when she lived. I can visualize the Sister being very tired, exhausted, crackers hounding her, they have the ransom on her head and she's still out trying to free Brothers and Sisters. Now here comes the Sister coming to you, or coming to me, saying Brother, Sister can you help me, can you give me a little bit of aid, can I rest my head, can you help me so I can make it to the next stop. And what we gonna do? Well, Sister, as we scratch our head, rub our behinds, I-I'm sorry, b-but you're bringing in heat on me. I-I might get infiltrated. T-The cracker might not like this. That's a part of our history that we have to deal with as well. Now if you're out there and you say you love Harriet Tubman, you revere Nat Turner then you have an obligation to support Brothers and Sisters like Mutulu Shakur, Assata Shakur, Sekou and Kuwesi, the grand jury resisters - we have an obligation, a responsibility to support them otherwise you just talking when you say you 'love' Harriet Tubman and you 'honor' Nat Turner. You're just engaging yourself and us in idle talk. So what we must do if we're serious Brothers and Sisters,



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we must demonstrate in the defense of the combatants, we must organize ourselves to give aid and shelter when they need it. We must be ready to test our political principles by not collaborating with the state, by not collaborating and giving up information to our oppressor. They only know what you tell them. If you don't tell them nothing, they don't know nothing. They're human.

Brothers and Sisters, we also must face the reality that we must train and be ready to take the places of our fallen comrades when the time comes. We have to be ready to consolidate and replenish the military forces. We must ask ourselves a very cogent question, one that I'm sure I'm clear on, and I hope you're clear on, but let's address it anyway. That is, what are we fighting for? Are we fighting for integration, are we fighting for equality, are we fighting for emigration, are we fighting for critical space... what are we fighting for? The fact of the matter is that not of these alternatives are sufficient. All of them mean that we are either cooperating, participating, or capitulating to imperialism's oppression on our people and our allies. We can't say we support the struggle for a Palestinian nation, for a Puerto Rican nation, for freedom and national liberation in Namibia and Azania, we can't say that we are seeking a new human relationship, a new way of living, and at the same time say we want either critical space, we want to emigrate and run, we want to integrate into this mess. If you want some critical space, you better get you some land! That's the space you need. That's the material basis for the creation of schools for our children, houses for our homeless, food for our hungry, hospitals for our sick, security for our elderly, and without land - the dreams for a better life, the dreams for a better future, the dreams for a nation will never come about. And without an army, we will never get land. So if you want land, you want freedom! And if you want freedom, you have to support our Freedom Fighters!

Another question, I think we have to deal with it. We can't run from criticism, we can't run from questions, we have to deal with issues. In the October expropriation attempt I saw a lot of people, all of these big time revolutionary pseudo-revolutionary figures get weak, say I'll talk to the f.b.i. I-I think the action is premature, I-I think it was wrong. And then they stopped, and they thought they would have the perfect excuse... Well, I'll be danged, it was some white people with them in the Army. What are these white people doing in the Army?... Now look, I want to make it perfectly clear to everyone, I am for National Liberation, I am not for integration, I am not for subordinating our revolution to a socialist revolution in white america. I am for National Liberation for Black people but I am also not a fool. Now if we're serious, if we're serious about talking about dealing with the ku klux klan, if we're talking about dealing with these white paramili-

tary organizations, then we know we have to have intelligence. Show me somebody Black that's gonna infiltrate the ku klux klan, huh? We have to have intelligence. The role of allies are to help perform those tasks that are difficult that we cannot perform. Our white allies have been doing this. They have been giving us political support, and there's a qualitative difference between political support and the dictating of political strategy. They have not been doing this. And they have also been cooperative in military ventures. Now look, I don't mind you criticizing us, I don't mind you questioning the existence of why some white people were there. All I ask is that you be willing to do the least that these white allies have done. If you're not willing to cooperate in those military ventures as they have cooperated, you better shut up. Its damn if you do, damn if you don't. And I'm not a defender of white people but we've got to put the

The Palestinians have allies, don't nobody talk about that. Don't nobody talk about African nations when they have diplomatic relations with other white nations. So why can't we have principled alliances. If we're talking about entering and integrating ourselves into the nations of the world, we have to have a perspective that allows us to do this. So along with honoring our combatants, understanding that they are the highest manifestation of New Afrikan self-determination and the will to win we also have to urge our white allies to continue to nurture this tendency of support. Finally, and I'm going to close because I know you're tired, we have to struggle. That's the bottom line. No excuses about infiltration, no excuses about heat, ...a cracker said if you can't take the heat, get out of the kitchen. We have to struggle with every ounce of our physical and intellectual skills. We have to build a New Afrikan Army. We have to give that



New Afrikan Freedom Fighter Day, New York, August 21, 1982

position out there because for a long time, and I know because I have criticized crackers for talking one thing and doing very little. Okay, cause you can't have it both ways, you can't criticize them when they're not doing nothing and then wanna back off from them when they take the criticisms to heart and want to do something for you. You've got to acknowledge it. You have to acknowledge that they also have a legacy. They have a dialectic in their history as well. The overwhelming manifestation of their existence has been marked by the oppression of our people. The exploitation, the expropriation of our labor,. However, there is another side to the coin. There also have been some whites, very few, very far between, who have opted to join the ranks with the oppressed. When we see those who are willing to do this, they demand our support-- I'm not talking about laying up with white people, I'm talking about a principled political relationship. If we are serious about struggle.

Army material support, intellectual support, in every area that is possible. Take to heart what the Brothers and Sisters who have submitted the communique to you have said. They are not talking idly, they have demonstrated their will to struggle.

And finally, Brothers and Sisters, lets not dwell on the negative. Because if we've been looking at, in any way, what has been happening in the press, even the crackers themselves have to acknowledge that although what happened in October of '81 may not have been a success, our Brothers and Sisters, our combatants have had numerous successes prior to that event. Now you gonna tell me, you gonna abandon the struggle because of one setback? In every struggle there are setbacks. It is our responsibility to learn from them, to refine our activities, to improve our style of work, and to get on with it.

Thank you very much.

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# FBI FRAME-UP OF PELTIER EXPOSED

On August 6th, the government denied Native American Prisoner of War Leonard Peltier's writ of habeas corpus motion for a new trial. The new motion has now been remanded to the original trial judge, who has an indefinite period of time in which to respond. The motion is based on information from files which shows that government witnesses lied about key evidence that was used to convict Peltier in his original trial.

Peltier is a leader of the American Indian Movement (AIM). He is serving consecutive life terms for the deaths of two FBI agents who attacked an AIM-protected camp on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota on June 25, 1975. His original co-defendants, tried separately, were acquitted based on evidence of FBI misconduct in their arrest and trial.

AIM was being heavily repressed by the U.S. government at the time the shootout occurred. Following the 1973 siege at Wounded Knee, FBI counter-intelligence documents targeted Peltier and other AIM activists for surveillance and arrest "on any charge whatsoever." Over 200 people -- mostly AIM supporters -- were murdered on the Pine Ridge Reservation between 1973 and 1975.

At his original trial for "aiding and abetting" in the agent's deaths, the judge blocked every attempt by Peltier to present evidence of FBI



operations against the American Indian Movement. Since that time, his defense team has obtained over 12,000 pages of documents under the Freedom of Information Act that prove the FBI falsified evidence in order to build its circumstantial case against Peltier.

The prosecution used general ballistics tests at the trial to show that the bullets in one of the agent's cars could have come from Peltier's gun. However, FBI agents knew and concealed that they had performed more reliable firing pin tests which had demonstrated conclusively that they did not. FBI agents stressed in court that they were chasing Peltier's red and white car when the shoot-out began; radio logs show that they were chasing a

different vehicle. The FBI said they identified Peltier at the scene through a rifle scope, but their own simulated tests -- also concealed at the trial -- revealed that such an identification at the distance specified was virtually impossible.

These three discredited pieces of circumstantial evidence were the main part of the government's case at the original trial. In spite of this, the government denied the writ in order to try to keep Peltier imprisoned.

Through his years in prison, Peltier has remained a leader of the Native American struggle for sovereignty. This is why the government has plotted to assassinate him since he has been in prison. In 1978, a Native American prisoner, Standing Deer, revealed that the FBI offered to have all charges against him dropped if he would "neutralize" Peltier. It was news of a second assassination plot that led to Peltier's unsuccessful attempt to escape with several other prisoners from the prison at Lompoc. Peltier's lawyers have gathered 13 witnesses and 150 documents that testify to the government's plans to try to have Peltier killed.

Support for Peltier is critical to protect his life and ensure that he will get a new trial. Write to: Attorney General William French Smith, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.; and Warden, U.S.P., Attention: Harold G. Miller, P.O. Box 1000, Marion, IL. 62959

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New York the state attempted to try captured New Afrikan and anti-imperialist Freedom Fighters on "criminal" charges for the attempted expropriation of a Brinks armored truck in Nyack, New York on October 20, 1981. The Freedom Fighters were not allowed (by the state) to wear black armbands in court as a visible sign of solidarity with the Palestinian Resistance. Before any proceedings began that day, New Afrikan Freedom Fighter Kuwasi Balagoon delivered a collective statement in behalf of the captured New Afrikan and anti-imperialist Freedom Fighters in Nyack in solidarity with the struggle of the Palestinian people to regain their National territory from the clutches of Zionism and imperialism. The statement was made a day after the Zionist and imperialist sanctioned and supported raid led by the "Christian" Fascist Falange murdering Palestinian women and children in West Beirut, Lebanon.

In the August 21, 1982 New Afrikan Freedom Fighters Day communique of the Revolutionary Armed Task Force of the Black Liberation Army, the New Afrikan Freedom Fighters expressed solidarity with their comrades, the fighters of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). The communique also spoke of the lessons all revolutionaries and national liberation fighters could learn from the struggle of the Palestinian people--particularly the necessity of tenacious steadfast struggle and the importance of self reliance.

As conscious New Afrikans and anti-imperialists, it is important that we support the just struggle of the Palestinian and Arab masses. The most important way we can support the Palestinian masses and any national liberation struggle against imperialism is through advancing the struggle for Land, Independence, and Socialism. The revolutionary nationalist objective to liberate New Afrika

plays a decisive role in dismantling the u.s. imperialist empire and defeating its presence internationally. We must join with our Palestinian allies and all other comrades in the great wrestling match against imperialism. Death to Zionism and White Supremacy! Death to Imperialism! Victory to the PLO! Victory to the New Afrikan struggle for Land, Independence, and Socialism!

## D.Q. UNDER ATTACK

On October 25, the federal government will attempt to close DQ University, an accredited two-year college run by the American Indian Movement near Davis, California. The Native Americans who run the school plan to resist the eviction.

DQ was opened in 1970 when Native Americans and ChicanoMexicanos seized unused federal land. The school is unique in offering a wide

range of courses in Native American history, literature, languages and federal law as it applies to Native Americans.

Ever since its inception the university has been continuously harassed by the government. Federal agencies have conducted an unheard of 27 audits of DQ since its founding to find some excuse to close the accredited school. Now the federal courts have ordered DQ to vacate the land it occupies or be forcibly evicted by federal marshalls.

The U.S. has consistently denied Native people their sovereign rights to political, cultural and physical control over their land and lives. Today, Native Americans are confronting the genocide of the U.S. in South Dakota, Montana, Minneapolis, and the Four Corners area of Utah, New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado. The attack on DQ is part of the government's attempts to destroy Native resistance.

AIM is organizing supporters of DQ including clergy, legal and medical people to observe and participate in resisting the closing.



**Palestinians resisting the Israeli beach landing at Khalde**



## BLACK ACTIVIST FIGHTS DEATH PENALTY

The racist Philadelphia courts sentenced Mumia Abu-Jamal to the death penalty for defending himself against killer cops on July 3, 1982. He was charged with killing a white Philadelphia cop in December, 1981, in an incident which also left Jamal seriously wounded by police. For the past several years, Jamal has been known in the Philadelphia community as a political activist and a news reporter to whom people could look for accurate reporting.

A jury of 10 whites and two Black people convicted Jamal after a supposed trial where Jamal was refused the right to represent himself. The judge imposed a court-appointed lawyer, instead of allowing him a legal adviser from MOVE (MOVE is a Black organization in Philadelphia that has been heavily attacked by the po-

lice). Several times during the trial the judge threw Jamal out of the courtroom when he attempted to defend himself. In addition, the main witness was a prostitute with charges pending against her, who was offered a deal of protection on the streets if she would testify to having seen Jamal shoot the police. A defense witness testified that this woman was not even there at the time.

At his sentencing, Jamal said, "On December 9, 1981, the police attempted to execute me in the street -- this trial is a result of their failure to do so."

People can write to the Mumia Abu-Jamal Support Fund, Box 13117, Philadelphia, PA 19101 and to Jamal directly at Holmesburg Correctional Institution, Holmesburg, PA to find out what actions are to be taken and to express support. ●

## Anti-Springbok 5 Sentenced

*In September, 1981, 5 white anti-imperialists were arrested in a demonstration at New York's Kennedy Airport while demonstrating against the South African Springbok Rugby Team's tour. The demonstration was part of an international offensive against these agents of white supremacy. In the U.S., that included the bombing of the Eastern Rugby Association offices in Albany, New York by the Black Liberation Army.*

These committed anti-imperialists who demonstrated last September to make a clear protest against the agents of apartheid, the Springbok rugby tour from South Africa, were sentenced in Queens Criminal Court on July 8th. Mary Patten, received 1 year, Tim Blunk and Eve Rosahn 9 months, and Margo Pelletier 6 months for misdemeanor charges such as resisting arrest and trespass. Donna Borup who faced the heaviest charges of the 5, was not sentenced because she chose not to appear for her trial. In doing so, she struck a blow to the state's strategy to use her case to obtain a conviction and set precedents for convicting all 5.

Mary Patten, the only Anti-springbok to go on trial was acquitted of all felony charges and the state was subsequently forced to drop all felony charges against the other comrades. The heavy sentences for these misdemeanor charges exposes the u.s. government's position that demonstrating against white supremacy and for African liberation in the 1980's is illegal.

Even though the assault charges had all been dropped, the judge used the discredited testimony of the police and the felony charges as a basis for his unprecedented sentencing. One of the judge's justifications for such heavy sentencing was that none of the Anti-springboks showed any contrition (refusing to be sorry) for the political stand that they had taken in the demonstration.

The judge tried to provoke a situation to justify the actual gagging of the lawyers and to give the defendants more jail time. After sentencing the Anti-springboks, the judge refused to read them their rights. When they were forcibly removed from the courtroom in handcuffs, the Anti-springboks chanted--UP WITH AZANIA, DOWN WITH SOUTH AFRICA--and for this they were called back into the courtroom and each given 30 more days contempt of court.

The courtroom was filled with friends, family, and supporters, and the Anti-springboks were strong and clear. In their statements, made that day, they expressed full support for national liberation struggles waging people's wars for independence as the only strategy to defeat white supremacy and u.s. imperialism. They made it clear that the political harassment and repression by the state was meant to have a chilling effect on the movement but that it would not work. Eve Rosahn is being held at Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York City for her refusal to collaborate with the RICO Grand Jury investigating the October 20th attempted expropriation in Nyack, New York by the Black Liberation Army and the Revolutionary Armed Task Force. It is critical that we support Eve's position of non-collaboration and the total commitment of all the Anti-springbok 5 to building a revolutionary movement.

Mary, Margo and Tim are being held at Rikers Island as "central monitoring cases." CMC status, originated in the early 70s to restrict and repress Black Liberation Army prisoners of war is now being applied to all political prisoners. Being CMC means that you are monitored every 30 minutes and are not allowed to go to school or have the same jobs as other prisoners. The 3 comrades are fighting against the CMC classification from the inside because they understand the danger it presents for all political prisoners.\*

Contribute to building a movement to free the Anti-springbok 5. Support their struggle to appeal their sentences and protest the harassment. Write to Benjamin Ward, Chairman, Department of Corrections, 100 Centre St., New York, NY 10013. Write to the comrades as well to show your support: Mary Patten, 411-82-243; Margo Pelletier, 411-82-244; Women's House of Detention, Rikers Island, 15-15 Hazen St., East Elmhurst, NY 11370--Eve Rosahn, 150 Park Row, Metropolitan Correction Center, New York, NY--Tim Blunk, C-76, 10-10 Hazen St., Rikers Island, East Elmhurst, NY 11370.

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\* Due to a political, legal campaign organized by their defense committee, Tim, Margo and Mary were removed from the CMC in late July. ●

## Chol Soo Lee Acquitted

In September, 1982, after an eight-year legal battle, Chol Soo Lee was acquitted by a San Francisco jury of murder charges, stemming from a 1973 Chinatown shooting. Lee, who is Korean, received broad support in the Korean and Asian community. It was this support that led to the exposure of the blatantly racist frame-up conducted by police and the District Attorney's office.

In February, 1979, the 1973 murder conviction was overturned by an appeals court. However, by the time of the reversal, Lee was standing trial for the killing in self-defense of known racist and Aryan brotherhood member Morrison Needham, who assaulted him on the Tracy Prison yard. Lee's acquittal meant that the prison conviction was no longer subject to the death penalty under California's "special circumstances" ruling that makes the death penalty mandatory for a second conviction on first degree murder. However, the DA in San Francisco insisted on a retrial on the 1973 charges in an effort to make the death penalty stick on the Tracy conviction.

It is unclear as of October, 1982, what impact Lee's acquittal will have on the death penalty conviction. ●

## KKK Forms Confederation

In what represents a major consolidation of white supremacist forces across the U.S. and Canada, the Ku Klux Klan has announced the formation of a Confederation of Klans. The announcement was made after a Labor Day Weekend conference where seven different Klan factions were represented, from eight states and Canada. Don Black, who led the attempted Klan invasion of Dominica, now heads this confederation. He claims the merger represents 80% of Klan membership or 60,000 people nationwide.

That same weekend, Bill Wilkinson led a Klan rally of 800 people in Jefferson County, Kentucky.

The Confederation of Klans announced plans for a national demonstration in Washington, D.C. on November 6.

The John Brown Anti-Klan Committee will be holding national counter-demonstrations on that day. A spokesperson for the JBAKC said, "This consolidation of Klan forces could only happen with the direct involvement of the U.S. state. It is a critical time to increase work against the Klan and in support of the New Afrikan Independence Movement."

The unity between the Klan and the state has become completely open. The demonstration in New City, N.Y. in support of the freedom fighters was confronted by a lynch mob carrying nooses and American flags and shouting "Death to the BLA, KKK all the way." Participants in the demonstration said it was clear the mob was consciously organized. At the same time, the police were everywhere, being very friendly with the racist mob. Since the summer, the Klan has been openly threatening revolutionary nationalists and anti-imperialists. At a cross-burning on August 21st, the Klan held up a coffin which they said was reserved explicitly for the BLA, May 19th Communist Organization, the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional, and the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee.



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that oppression will be resisted. We call this force the National People's Militia. Because this force is visible and ever present it has been plotted against, entrapped, and forced to utilize its training to defend themselves as well as the community. So the ultimate sacrifice of one's life and family are evident in this area of activity. Although the style of work in this area may be different from that previously mentioned the sacrifice and consequences are the same.

LONG LIVE THE PEOPLE'S MILITIA!

(3) In this category are the brothers and sisters who train and study, and live so called normal lives! When they see the writing on the walls - of escalating oppression and the underground coming under attack and comrades are being killed - they brush up on their training and join the ranks to replenish the army. THAT'S why there will never again be uncontested violence unleashed on our nation. LONG LIVE THE UNDERGROUND RESERVES!

(4) These are the brothers and sisters who resist as opposed to submitting to the oppression and trickery of the state. They refuse to collaborate (RAT) and entrap fellow freedom fighters. THEY refuse to distort the moral code that must guide our people. THEY command much praise. They may or may not have made the ultimate decision to sacrifice everything, but when faced with supporting the Black Nation or supporting self they cry out take my freedom but you will not take my pride or heritage. THEY remind us: *"the struggle for humanity is the continuing battle of one's life, and one loses a bit of that humanity with every state compromise made to any authority one does not respect."* LONG LIVE THE GRAND JURY RESISTERS!

(5) In the course of escalated oppression with escalated resistance those who become targets of the state need to live and survive among the people in order to continue their area of work in the struggle. THE people responsible for their survival in an organized and spontaneous support, carry on the tradition of HARRIET TUBMAN and the Underground Railroad. LONG LIVE THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD!

(6) A point to remember is that Prisoners of War represent the historical events in our struggle. They lay the foundations, by their example, upon which we build our armed struggle. It is from the aforementioned areas from which they've emerged. With the loss of physical freedom they resist with all their mental, spiritual and intellectual power. We have seen that when the physical opportunity becomes available the examples of Attica, Soledad, San Quentin, Marion, and Pontiac prison rebellions demonstrate their continued will to push forward the spirit of our resistance. We must never forget our POW's. WE must demand their release and recognize their status as POW's. In recognizing their status as POW's we are recognizing our legitimate right to national liberation. THEY are the light on the hill, a representation of what we are building--a strong BLACK principled nation.

FREE ALL NEW AFRIKAN POW's!

### ON THE QUESTION OF ALLIES

It is our clear understanding that a war is being waged against capitalism and imperialism, the major threat to the toiling masses of the world. Wars of national liberation constitute the most significant forces for the dismemberment of this monster. U.S./Zionist/Apartheid brands of imperial domination are being fiercely contested. The P.L.O., F.L.N.C., S.W.A.P.O., AND P.A.C. are engaged in life and death struggles to extricate their nations from imperialism's grip. So too are the fighting forces of New Afrika. We see that objectively there is an alliance between these anti-imperialist/pro-national liberation forces. We must support one another morally, materially and politically and we must learn from one another's experiences.

From the PLO we have learned the lesson of tenacious steadfast struggle. In the face of equivocation and abandonment in some instances by those who should be their natural allies the PLO has refused to bow to imperialism's Zionist stooges. Facing massive military attacks, they have plucked political victory. Exposing the genocidal intent of the illegal Israeli state they have re-dedicated themselves to the protracted struggle for their homeland. *We have learned from them in the final analysis if we want to be free we must do it ourselves.* In this period of revolutionary struggle this lesson is invaluable.

LONG LIVE THE STRUGGLE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE!

The struggle for the liberation of Puerto Rico from U.S. hegemony has escalated into one of the most valiant struggles in North America. Smothered by the capitalist's press the Puerto Rican national liberation forces have advanced their struggle on all fronts--on the homeland, and in the U.S. With coordinated military, political and propaganda campaigns they have raised their struggle to the point where it can no longer be ignored. We see their comprehensive strategy toward people's war for liberation as an example toward which we strive. As one of the struggles against U.S. imperialism in North America we

acknowledge them as our natural allies.

INDEPENDENCE AND SOCIALISM FOR PUERTO RICO!

The struggle against apartheid/settler domination being waged in Namibia and Azania attacks the heart of white chauvinist imperialist exploitation. Our people on the continent are struggling against the legacy of slavery that we know so well. The resurrection and reconstitution of Afrikan civilization depends upon the successful conclusion of both our struggles. "We recognize what a minority of crackers can do to a majority of Afrikans, so you can imagine what a MAJORITY of crackers can do to a MINORITY of New Afrikans." We stand united in our resolve to break the back of our oppressors and build a new socialist state for our people. We are one. We pledge our continued material, military, political and moral support.

AFRIKA FOR AFRIKANS AT HOME AND ABROAD!

In the struggle for national liberation it would be naive and not strategic to overlook the building of principled alliances. Successful battles are won by those who have good intelligence. In a racist society Black people come under more suspicion than whites in the areas close to vital information (i.e. South Africa). The national liberation forces have developed many allies for our righteous struggle. We've developed them by engaging in humanitarian efforts, concrete material aid and by military examples. It would not be politically or strategically wise to abandon allies who fight side by side with combatants in the interest of national liberation. These allies who have withstood torture and abuse. It would not be a good example for international solidarity if the Black freedom fighters would abandon their allies.

LONG LIVE THE ALLIES OF THE NEW AFRIKAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT!!

WHY DO WE NEED FREEDOM FIGHTERS?

We need freedom fighters because the basic contradiction between the

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white oppressor u.s. and our oppressed Black nation (New Afrika) has not been resolved. We are continuously confronted by C.I.A., F.B.I., and police terror. The KKK, white civilian armies and mercenaries still threaten our existence. Black men, women, and children are still brutally murdered without justice being meted out to those responsible. The conspiracy of economic, political and social subjugation persists.

In the face of these incursions a force is needed to protect, defend, and liberate us. Our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters perform this function. Organized resistance is essential when confronted with organized terrorism. We cannot stand idly by while the entire u.s. political military machinery is focused on us.

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acting on "information" obtained from New Afrikan Freedom Fighter Solomon Brown, the FBI-NYPD Joint Terrorist Task Force attacked the homes of Jamal (Eddie Josephs) and Chui (Cecilio Ferguson), two supporters of the New Afrikan Independence Movement, and arrested them in a pre-dawn raid. On the same day, the FBI and police terrorists raided the Harlem Institute of Acupuncture which is run by the Black Acupuncture Advisory Association of North America (BAAANA). The police held doctors and patients at gunpoint for hours before filling out blank grand jury subpoenas, which were subsequently dropped because of the extraordinarily illegal manner in which the subpoenas were issued. Brother Sol made it extremely clear in open court that any statements he may have signed were coerced and he refused to testify to the grand jury.

On May 11th, three more subpoenas were issued to Dr. Alan Berkman, Shaheem Jabar and Bernardine Dohrn. All three were asked for exemplars and Alan and Bernardine were subpoenaed for testimony. Alan, a national leader of the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee, has given medical treatment to Puerto Rican Prisoner of War William Morales—who was freed by the Puerto Rican armed clandestine movement—and to New Afrikan Freedom Fighters Sekou Odinga and Solomon Brown, who were tortured by the u.s. government.

The Terrorist Task Force unsuccessfully attempted to bribe Alan with money and protection in the Federal Witness Program and then threatened him with the loss of his medical license if he refused to give them information.

Shaheem Jabar was visited by members of the Terrorist Task Force and by an informer—traitor Peter Middleton (formerly known as Kamau Bayette)—in order to urge comrade Jabar to cooperate with them and inform on his political comrades and friends. Jabar completely rejected any collaboration and immediately informed his lawyers of what had happened.

On April 21, the RICO grand jury issued its first federal indictments

Not to recognize these factors is a political and social error. We should be aware of the onion tactic—that is when your resistance is peeled away stage by stage through isolation, propaganda labeling us criminals and terrorists and the imprisonment and murdering of our front line. This tactic can be counteracted by mass support for our New Afrikan Freedom Fighters, formed into an army that is organized by the people for the people.

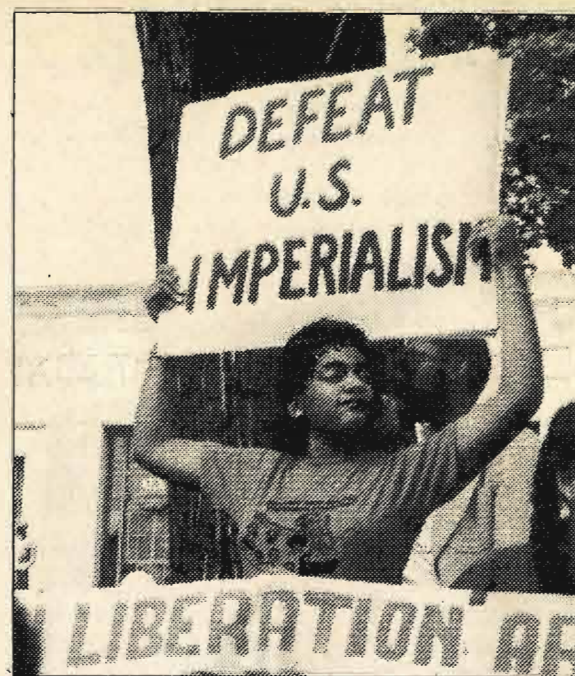
Hold firm to our legacy of struggle and resistance, build a people's army for national defense.

FREE ALL POW'S!  
SUPPORT FREEDOM FIGHTERS!  
LONG LIVE THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD!  
LONG LIVE THE F.A.L.N!  
LONG LIVE THE BLACK LIBERATION ARMY!  
FREE THE LAND!  
HONOR NEW AFRIKAN FREEDOM FIGHTERS!

against Jamal, Chui, Sekou Odinga and Dr. Mutulu Shakur on charges of conspiracy to rob banks. Dr. Shakur, a founder of the Republic of New Afrika, a leader in the Black community's struggle against heroin and methadone addiction, one of the first Black doctors of acupuncture in the u.s. and the founder of BAAANA, has never been found and is being sought by the Terrorist Task Force with "shoot to kill" orders. In mid-September, two more comrades were added to the indictment and are being sought by the FBI: Susan Rosenberg, a member of the May 19th Communist Organization, and Nehanda Abiodun, former editor of the *New Afrikan* newspaper of the Provisional Government of the Republic of New Afrika, acupuncture student and staff member of BAAANA. These are undoubtedly not the last such indictments.

As we go to press, we have received news that three more subpoenas have been issued by the RICO grand jury. Aisha Buckner, a health worker at BAAANA, is already in jail for refusing to testify. Richard Delaney, a doctor at BAAANA and a third person (whose name we don't have) are awaiting court appearances.

Non-collaboration with any grand jury or any institution of the state is both a revolutionary principle and strategy. The stance that these comrades are taking is key to being able to actually put a stop to the grand juries and build a movement of resistance that won't compromise under pressure. Even the slightest bit of collaboration or information will only add fuel to the government's campaign to crush the revolutionary armed movement. Resistance to grand juries, being led by these comrades and those in the Puerto Rican and Chicano/Mexicano revolutionary movements, is an integral part of protecting and defending those freedom fighters who are at the forefront of the struggle. For more info: Nat'l Cttee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters, PO Box 1184, Manhattanville Sta., New York, NY 10027; Coalition to Defend Oct. 20th Freedom Fighters, PO Box 254, Stuyvesant Sta., New York, NY 10009.



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eral Assembly has specifically insisted that the captured anti-colonial freedom fighter may not be prosecuted as criminals under the domestic law of the detaining colonial power, but must instead be treated in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Geneva Convention relative to the treatment of Prisoners of War. (This is resolution #2621.) So as a Prisoner of War in international law, which Article 6 of the United States Constitution states supercedes domestic law, prohibits me from being tried in a Criminal Court by the colonizing power, which the U.S. government is in relationship to the descendants of Afrikan slaves.

So I do not recognize any legitimate right of this Court to try me. My only participation in these proceedings will be to push for my legitimate political rights as a Freedom Fighter and Prisoner of War and to denounce these illegal proceedings in particular and the colonial government of the United States of America in general. "All Power to the Righteous People" Free the Land.

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The right to self-determination is the most basic human right of any people. The right to fight for it by any means necessary, including armed struggle is recognized by the U.N. This court and the government it upholds tramples upon that right and calls those who fight for it terrorists and criminals. Well, you called Ho Chi Minh a terrorist and he led his nation to independence and socialism. You called Robert Mugabe a terrorist and he is now the Prime Minister of an independent Zimbabwe, building a non-racialist and socialist society.

We are not terrorists. We are freedom fighters, upholding those same most basic and precious rights. For the last eleven months, I have refused to collaborate with this court's/d.a.'s/FBI's attempts to criminalize us and wage its offensive against the Black liberation struggle and anti-imperialist movement. I will never give anything of myself to you and I will continue to struggle as a freedom fighter.

Today, you have the power to impose this mockery on us. But tomorrow, our children and even some of yours, will dance on the ashes of this blood-soaked empire. New Afrika and all oppressed nations will be free. And the tremendous, human undertaking of building socialism will be the challenge.

## WRITE TO THE COMRADES

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\*Write to the grand jury Resisters: Aisha Buckner, Yassryn Fula, Jerry Gaines, Shaheem Jabbar (s/n John Crenshaw), Asha Sundiata, Alan Perlman, Bernardine Dohrn, Eve Rosahn—MCC, 150 Park Row, New York, NY 10007.



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move to try and save it from destruction.

New Afrikans in particular, along with Puerto Ricans, ChicanoMexicanos, Native Americans and other oppressed nations within the u.s. domestic empire, are the primary target of reagan's war on working and poor people. The war is growing worse as the white workers are clamoring for what they are being told is "theirs"—the few jobs being held by colonized people.

We must now put all internal contradictions behind us because we need to put the primary contradiction at the forefront of our struggle. That contradiction is the enemy state which is waging war in many forms against the Black nation. Our response must be varied and in kind to match and surpass what is being employed against us.

We have to push our own contradictions aside because we understand from long history the u.s. ability to exploit them at a time when we can least afford it. The c.i.a. has just been given legal authority to resume operations inside the u.s. COINTELPRO is still alive so we have to be very careful with what we say and hear said or written about others.

Our Freedom Fighters must be given active support. There can no longer be an effort to try and hold them back because the "masses ain't ready." They have to be *made* ready through organization and a correct political line that includes armed struggle as a necessity. The masses had BETTER be ready on the need for it because the state is waging war on us on several fronts—and our people are dying—whether we choose to fight back or not.

Nobody asked Eula Love if she was ready to have cops riddle her body with bullets, or 10-year-old Clifford Glover if he was ready to be shot in the back by pig O'Shea (who is still on the beat in New York as far as we can tell), or young Tyrone Guyton and Melvin Black if they and countless others were ready for the war when killer kops took their lives.

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arity" for Puerto Rican Independence expressed by the capitalist governments of Venezuela and Mexico. While supporting independence for Puerto Rico, Venezuela blatantly strengthens the hand of the tyrannical and fascist Duarte regime in El Salvador by providing political and material support for the brutal and cowardly assassination of thousands of Salvadorean people. As an ally of the yanki imperialists in maintaining the oligarchy in power in El Salvador, the government of Venezuela is guilty of murder and genocide. It is assuming an ever increasing aggressive role as protector and enforcer of the yanki imperialist plans to expand and consolidate their grip in the Caribbean and Central America. In return the U.S. has agreed to equip the Venezuelan Army with modern weapons, provide loans and capital for the economic expansion of the Venezuelan capitalists and allow these capitalists access to new markets for its products. Venezuela would be acting as a sub-imperialist power in keeping with the plans of the trilateralism in Latin America,

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Who asked McDuffie in Miami or Miller in Brooklyn, or the little girls in the Birmingham church if they were ready? Who ever got us ready for anything? It is absurd to think we have to sit back and wait for the people's support before we can begin to take the war back to the imperialist dog!

Within our own Black Liberation Movement, Freedom Fighters have the problem of winning broad based mass support. By now, we can see we

can't rely on organizations as they exist now to initiate programs and give concrete support to armed struggle.

That means Freedom Fighters must themselves take on this task as an added responsibility. We must gain our people's support through our own initiative by putting our own politics in command without placing our faith in forces who obviously want no part of carrying out their revolutionary duty. We have to do it. ●

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taken up by their reserve armies of White vigilante groups such as the Nazis, K.K.K.'s, right wing paramilitary groups and similar Fascist groups. Institutionalized racism, discrimination, zoning laws and mass poverty still restrict most Blacks to living within a certain locality just as if segregated housing codes still existed. Similar methods are used to prevent Blacks from getting a fair representative share in jobs, schooling, politics, health care and higher advancement. The same holds true for other oppressed nationalities.

Armed freedom fighters are necessary to counter the racist violence aimed at unarmed Blacks, and to protect our communities against the trigger happy racist police agencies so that the masses of our people can begin to organize themselves to gain control over their own lives. Only we can liberate ourselves from the colonial domination of this system. The ruling class cannot and will not meet our legitimate demands for political, economic and social freedom, because to do so would collapse the blood sucking nature of this system. Armed freedom fighters are the advanced guard of a people moving toward armed resistance. They are the People's Army in embryo. Their main duty is to defend the people and fight for them while educating and organizing the people for mass armed resistance and self-liberation.

Freedom fighters are also confronted with the problem of building and maintaining an infrastructure, or support network, throughout the dominated territory. This is neces-

sary so that armed resistance can be sustained throughout the protracted struggle. It requires the support of the people. To gain this support, freedom fighters must direct more of their actions toward clear acts of defending the oppressed, fighting for the oppressed, and retaliating against the oppressor for gross injustices committed against the people. This educates the people on the true role of the freedom fighter, and it gives the people a better understanding of the necessary expropriations required to sustain armed struggle.

True liberation requires the destruction of the present colonial system that oppresses Black people. It is the only way Black people can gain control over their lives and become politically, economically and socially free and independent. National independence is essential for the consolidation of political independence and for providing an affluent material and moral life for our people. Self-reliance is indispensable for safeguarding national independence. Then, with our own means and national institutions, we can begin solving the problems placed on the agenda by the general historical situation.

Sundiata Acoli is a Black Liberation Army P.O.W. confined at the United States Federal Penitentiary at Marion, Illinois.

Richard Thompson-El is a Moorish-American also imprisoned at Marion.

## Some Solutions: or Things to Do

by Sundiata Acoli

"This is the first of a brief series in response to Sister Althea's request for 'some solutions—or things to do for those not yet ready for guerrilla activities...' The solution to black people's problems lies in people's war for national liberation. There is no way around this fact. But a people's war is a process of development, stage by stage—until a whole people take part in it, then they almost always win their freedom. At each stage of the struggle, there are indeed many things that people can do, that are not necessarily guerrilla activities in themselves. But it must be firmly kept in mind that the ultimate purpose of all these activities is to contribute to the general mass movement toward people's war. As the old Afrikan proverb says: 'Small creeks, make a river.' The many non-guerrilla activities of the people act as small creeks, the resulting river—is people's war."

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especially in the Caribbean and Central America, repressing the popular and revolutionary movements internally and protecting the interests of imperialism.

The Mexican government also claims to support Puerto Rican independence. It has even hosted an international conference in solidarity with Puerto Rican independence. This image as "defender of the oppressed" is a farce. It is a cover for the most brutal and oppressive exploitation of the impoverished Mexican masses by the Mexican oligarchy and yanki imperialism. Like in El Salvador, thousands of Mexican workers, peasants, students, professionals, and revolutionaries have been assassinated or "disappeared" by the repressive agencies and the right wing death squads organized and financed by the Mexican ruling class. In Mexico law and order is maintained through assassination, terror and

South and the creation of the nation of New Afrika and the right of the Native American people's and nations to recapture their occupied lands. For us there is only one road: armed struggle, and one enemy: yanki imperialism. In the spirit of proletarian internationalism the F.A.L.N. will contribute to the destruction of the imperialist yanki federal state by waging armed struggle until Puerto Rico is free of yanki colonialism and interference.

To the Black freedom fighters who are presently receiving the full weight of the yanki repressive machinery and who are being killed and tortured by these agents of death, your strength, courage and will to fight has inspired us. We support your fight against the colonial enslavement of your people and for New Afrika and we are as certain of the inevitability of your victory as we are of ours.

We also wish to express our solidarity with the three North-Americans captured in the Brinks expropriation.

grand jury incarcerations of Carlos Rosario Pantojas, Carlos Noya Muratti and Norberto Cintron Fiallo; the frame-up of Jorge Albizu Orta and the assassinations of Arnaldo Dario Rosado, Carlos Soto Arrivi and Angel Rodriguez Cristobal. The taking of the case of Vieques to the Supreme Court in Boston, the involvement of the yanki courts in Puerto Rico concerning the student strike at the University of Puerto Rico are attempts at forcing our struggle to take place within the legal apparatus of the imperialists. This maneuver is designed to disarm us and place us in a position where we recognize their authority over us and where all battles take place when and where the enemy determines.

Our struggle if it is to succeed must be guided by the strategy of prolonged people's war. In order to do this, we must build organizations which the enemy cannot destroy because it cannot see them. Only the politico/military organization with clandestine structures, members and methods of work is in a position to mobilize and organize our people and at the same time wage armed struggle. Those independence organizations working within the framework of bourgeois legality because they have faith in the system, or because they feel the conditions are not right for the clandestine organization or because "they have nothing to hide" are only fooling themselves. When they least expect it the enemy will annihilate them if it feels these organizations pose a threat. Puerto Rico is a nation intervened by a foreign power. It is militarily, economically and politically occupied. As a result the Puerto Rican people have always had a right to pick up arms and the conditions for armed struggle have always existed. What has been lacking at certain moments have been the revolutionary organizations who will lead this struggle. Now these organizations exist. Their existence challenges every independentista to either move forward by supporting and joining the revolutionary armed clandestine organizations or step aside and show their true colors by joining the reformist and autonomist sectors which are trying to contain the armed struggle for independence and socialism.

The success of our struggle is dependent on the growth and effectiveness of the armed clandestine politico/military organizations. Only they are in a position to effectively combine and lead the mass and armed struggles. Therefore it is this unity which we must work for. Through the union of the armed clandestine organizations, which have been born and developed from revolutionary theory and practice and in the heart of battle, we will organize the National Liberation front and its military detachment the People's Revolutionary Army. It will be this vehicle which will drive the yanki imperialists from Puerto Rico and which will lead to the necessary structures for the construction of a socialist society.

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NOT ONE GRAM OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES  
WILL LEAVE PUERTO RICO!  
LONG LIVE THE ARMED CLANDESTINE  
STRUGGLE!

--F.A.L.N. Central Command



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torture. The true intent of Mexico's progressive foreign policy is nothing but a maneuver to mask repression at home and to serve as a stabilizing force in the area against the popular and revolutionary movements so that they do not swing too far to the left. In the strategy of the imperialists it appears as the nice guy while the U.S. is the bad.

Our struggle for national liberation does not need this "solidarity" from murderers, torturers and exploiters. They are the enemies of freedom loving people everywhere. We do not need to prostitute our political principles to gain the temporary support of our class enemies who will eventually betray us when we no longer benefit them or serve their interests.

To our Chicano/Mexicano, Black and Native American brothers and sisters who are fighting within the yanki federal state to regain the lands and territories stolen from them, we extend our deepest and most sincere revolutionary solidarity. The F.A.L.N. supports the reunification of the Chicano/Mexicano lands in the Southwest and West with Mexico and the creation of a non-aligned and socialist Mexico; the legitimate right of Black people to the land area in the

By linking up with your Black comrades and making their struggle your own you have put into practice the Leninist principle which states that the duty of the working class and advanced sectors in the imperialist countries is to actively assist and fight for the liberation of the colonies. Compañeros, we salute you for your example, unselfishness and total commitment to national liberation and the international working class revolution.

The war for independence and socialism for Puerto Rico will not be easy and will require many sacrifices. But the enemy is not invincible. Vietnam, Nicaragua, Cuba and now El Salvador have proven that. Yanki imperialism will do everything possible to destroy our revolutionary organizations and crush the aspirations of our people for freedom. Their strategy against the independence movement is clear: on the one hand they will try to use their legal and judicial system to force the movement into courts and away from the streets; on the other they will use violence to intimidate, provoke, frighten us and paralyze the work, placing us in a defensive position in which we can only react. It is in this context that we should see the





in the ideas of Locke, of liberty. Well, let me tell you something. Both Locke and Hobbes represented the same continuum of thought. What were they writing about? They were writing about the birth of the modern bourgeois state led by the bourgeoisie. They were talking about a society based on capitalism and John Locke said that people come together in a society to protect their property.

Property is the most important aspect of the writings of Hobbes and Locke, and even of John Stuart Mill. Look at all of your bourgeois liberal thinkers of the 19th century. You will find that just like in the US constitution, when the rights of the individual somehow contradict the rights of the state, what does the state have the right to do? To repress and suppress. The US constitution says to call forth the militia to put down insurrection. So, the continuum of the constitution and the federal state, the continuum of Locke and Hobbes. We're made to believe that somehow there are these two great traditions, one of authority, one of Hamilton and the other of Jefferson, one of imperial government, and another of democracy. And we believe it! That's the problem.

My friends, unlike, and I am not bragging, any movement that I know of, it was the Eleven Puerto Rican POWs who in no uncertain terms put the state on trial. For the first time in the history of the so-called United States, a group of people said "We do not recognize your jurisdiction. But over and above that, you're not even going to get us involved in a legal process. We're not going to have lawyers to represent us. We're not going to have a defense. We will be our own defense in front of our people." That is why an Haydee Torres can electrify a courtroom in New York City and incapacitate the judge who is running the court. Now, my friends, there was some discussion yesterday about the question of women. I'll tell you one thing, there is no man on this earth who can ever tell an Haydee Torres to go to the kitchen! There is no judge in the land who could find an Haydee Torres guilty, or any of the POWs. Because they said, not only do you represent the ruling class of this country, but in our homeland, Puerto Rico, you represent pillage made possible by an illegal occupying force.

My friends, it is extremely important for us to understand the nature of the state.

It's extremely important to analyze the theory that led to the building of the modern federal state of the US in order for us to be able to expose it. Because the seeds of liberalism are the seeds of fascism. Marcuse in the 1930's did a study in which he demonstrated the relationship between liberalism and fascism. Most people have forgotten about that essay by Marcuse. But the fact is that there is a direct correlation because Hobbes and Locke wrote that anybody who opposed the federal state has to be suppressed by whatever means necessary.

So my friends, let me say that unless we have a complete vision, we can talk about the Ku Klux Klan as an independent white supremacist organization which is of a para-military character. But there are no independent para-military organizations in the US.

In fact, there are only two groups that really run the whole world--it's the CIA and FBI. They are the ones who do everything. The KKK exists because the state wants it to exist. And we could say kill the Klan, but unless we clearly understand that the state is what's behind it, we will never deal with the real problem. You can say kill a cop, but unless you understand that there is a direct relationship between the police precincts in our community and the Pentagon, my friends, we will never resolve the problem.

We can go on talking about every issue that was discussed in this conference, and if we concentrate on building a movement on issues alone, we are mistaken. We must see the relationship between the state and everything that goes on here. Everything there is -- these things don't go on isolated one from the other. This system is a whole. Liberalism is an ideology of the ruling class. And there is a lot of movement in this country. Particularly in the left. To say, oh my god, we've got a hundred thousand people marching in Washington against war in El Salvador and everybody thinks boy, people are in motion in this country. Well, let me tell you ...there's a lot of single issue



politics that the right-wing supports. And you could say there's an anti-nuclear movement. Well, let me tell you, the American Nazi party is an anti-nuclear movement, did you know that? They don't believe in nuclear energy. The American Nazi party! Is that what we're building when we talk about the anti-nuclear movement? And that's what could happen. Because single issue politics leads to populism, and populism is part and parcel of liberalism. We are not going to build any more Huey Longs. We're not going to go in 1984 and provide the Democratic Party as the alternative. No we're talking about building in our communities. We're talking about a slow process of building national consciousness. Of building a socialist human being. We are talking about dealing with the question of hegemony. Because the question of repression is not just a physical question. If it was, we could probably fight it off. But more importantly, it is a profoundly ideological question.

Frantz Fanon wrote a beautiful book called *The Wretched of the Earth*. He also wrote another book called *Black Faces, White Masks* in which he clearly talks about the colonial mentality as an illness. And what is the colonial mentality but a by-product of bourgeois hegemony. Unless we understand that we

must combat the ideological hegemony of the ruling class, we will never be able to deal with the problems that confront us, because we can always think that there is some way out, there's some refuge. The system sometimes allows for that. In order to co-opt people. What does this mean? It means, my friends, that we must start to build what Che Guevara calls the new man and the new woman. That means in our daily lives, we have to begin to develop our revolutionary morality, because the only way to combat bourgeois morality, is to develop and to maintain the proletarian morality. And some of you, immediately the word morality comes to your mind, and you get all, oh my goodness, this guy must be some kind of preacher out of somewhere. No. Just as there is a bourgeois morality, there is a revolutionary morality. And we must begin to think about that. We must begin to build on the basis of a morality that deals with not the "I" but the "We." A morality that begins to break with all those things that entrap us in the system. A morality that will guarantee that each of us will be, will have the defiance, the stature of the Eleven Puerto Rican Prisoners of War, the New

## SON PATRIOTAS NO TERRORISTAS

"They are freedom fighters,  
not terrorists."

Afrikan Freedom Fighters, like Sekou Odinga, who was tortured, who was beaten but who remained silent. Who never became a traitor and the state knew that they were dealing with more than just another Black man. They were dealing with a new Black man, they were dealing with a New Afrikan Freedom Fighter!

We must build the type of relationships, if nothing else comes out of this conference, and I think a lot more will, it is the comradeship that we must build with, within ourselves and with our brothers and sisters who are oppressed.

But at the same time, let us be conscious that what we're building ultimately is definitely nationalist, but more than that, it is international. Because every time that a New Afrikan fights, he is not fighting, or she is not fighting only for New Afrika. He or she is fighting for Palestine. He or she is fighting for Puerto Rico. He or she is fighting for the reunification of Mexico. And so, if we have that in mind, we have to begin to deal with the criticism of narrow nationalism.

We must understand that there are white people in this country, with all the mistakes and all of the problems that the white left has, and there are many; with all the divisions that they have historically

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created among our movements, there are still many who are willing to struggle. The people who are here today are an example of that. And we must build with them, because their solidarity, militant solidarity, is important. And I say to those white people who are here today, there are two organizations that you can join. John Brown and there is the New Movement. I think both of those organizations provide for the possibility of growing under the leadership of the Third World organizations, Third World movements. You must clearly understand that there is no such thing, really, as a homogeneous working class in this country. And that the people who face the greatest oppression and exploitation are Third World workers, and those people have the right not only to struggle for improvements in their neighborhood, but more so, to establish their

national sovereignty. And when we talk about workers, we must think about Black workers, we must think about ChicanoMexicano workers, we must think about Puerto Rican workers. Your responsibility is to work. There are sectors of the white working class that can be won over. And I think you can do it. There are no white exceptionals -- and if you consider yourself that, then you've got a problem. You've got to struggle. But don't struggle in our community. Don't poster in our community. We'll take care of our own building. You take care of your own.

With a common vision and a common strategy that says the only way to ultimately gain anything in this country is to take it by whatever means necessary. There is only one strategy and that is the strategy of protracted peoples' war. And there is only one ideology and that is the ideology of socialism. And that there is only one morality and that is the revolutionary morality. If we follow these, then we can say

what Doña Consuelo says in one of her poems, *Internal River*,

When one may have  
a rifle without shooting it,  
and teardrops  
have ceased to be gunshots,  
and the land will have been cleansed  
of suffering;  
the living will welcome the dead anew,  
and there will flower anew,  
in the resurgence,  
the human purpose deflected through  
the crying times.



### Readings:

Franz Fanon, *Wretched of the Earth*  
*Black Faces, White Masks*  
John Stuart Mill, *On Liberty*  
John Locke, *Two Treatises on Government*  
Herbert Marcuse, selected works

### CONCLUSION:

It must be emphasized that the real conditions of Pontiac have not improved. No steps have been taken to enforce the court ordered improvement of the serious overcrowding. Nothing has been done to develop new and better programs in academic or vocational fields. Nothing has been done to deal with growing guard hostility against prisoners. In fact, the same arrogant and repressive attitude by the Pontiac Administration continues. The D.O.C. has become

even firmer in its intransigence. The immediate prognosis can be said to be further and continued intimidation of the prison population, and greater unity and resistance by prisoners as a response. The administration may be creating a self-fulfilling prophesy unless it addresses itself to the substantial issues and remedies in an already highly charged atmosphere.

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rarily house prisoners who have been hospitalized, and are violent or pose a threat to themselves and others. The quiet room is also used to house prisoners being treated for psychiatric disfunctions. It is the apotheosis of outlawed sensory deprivation units. While in the quiet room, Mr. Tosado has not been treated, rather he has been injected, against his wishes, and kept in a drug induced stupor for several days. It was learned that while he was kept in a heavily drugged state, he was interrogated by investigators using the same line of questioning utilized by the F.B.I. in the case of John McIntosh. That is to say, he was interrogated about his alleged involvement and the F.A.L.N.: F.A.L.N. activities in jail; Latin involvement with the F.A.L.N. within jail, etc. Several prisoners who saw and spoke with Mr. Tosado have reported that although drugged, he was coherent enough to complain about being drugged against his will, and interrogated.

It is important that we point out certain facts about Roberto Tosado. Mr. Tosado (Flaco) has been imprisoned for close to ten years, and is due to be released in less than a month (August, 1982).

While incarcerated with the P.O.W.'s, he had studied and became politicized. In 1978, he was one of three Puerto Ricans out of a total of 30 prisoners (known as the Pontiac Brothers) indicted after the riot which left 3 officers dead. He is presently finishing the additional time added to his original sentence as a result of the subsequent kangaroo trials which followed the riot. Mr. Tosado has been an outspoken advocate of prisoner rights, has successfully waged legal battles with the D.O.C. And for many years, he has been an intelligent and ardent supporter of independence and socialism for Puerto Rico. His activities in jail have paralleled in many ways that of Prisoner activist and independentista Carlos 'La Sombra' Torres, who was recently assassinated in a Puerto Rican jail. We call on the D.O.C. to immediately cease their barbaric treatment of Roberto Tosado.



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refusal to collaborate as an excuse to get them off the streets and into jail. The FBI hopes that the threat of jail might drive some leaders underground, "proving they are terrorists," or that this same threat might pressure less committed activists to snitch against the movement.

But this u.s. government strategy will fail, as it has in the past. Five years ago, an earlier federal grand jury "investigating" the FALN jailed 11 Puerto Rican and ChicanoMexicano community leaders who refused to testify (including four of the five currently under arrest.) But that effort at repression backfired on the u.s. government. In coming together to wage a common struggle against the grand jury, the Puerto Rican and ChicanoMexicano movements built deep strategic ties. The u.s. found itself faced with a strong co-ordinated resistance movement that was based upon support for armed struggle against the u.s. empire. The 1977 grand jury attack was shelved.

Today the ChicanoMexicano movement has called for the socialist reunification of Mexico; the destruction of the illegal border that separates southern Mexico from the occupied northern territories (the present u.s. southwest). The powerful revolutionary threat of 90 million Mexicans on both sides of the border united with the Puerto Rican independence movement is the reason why u.s. imperialism has again foc-



used the grand jury attacks against both movements.

The only acceptable response to any of these grand jury attacks must be the principled stand of non-collaboration -- the refusal to legitimize the u.s. witch hunts against revolutionary movements for national liberation. Progressive white north americans must join under the leadership of the Puerto Rican, ChicanoMexicano and New Afrikan movements to build a grand jury resistance movement that is founded on this principle.

## NO MORE WORDS

No more words will be spoken  
for those who live their lives in insignificance,  
born beneath the boot  
of an iniquitous class of men  
who carry the tradition  
of the kidnapper-slaver.

No more tears will be shed  
for all the death and deprivation they've known.  
Only the blank stare of the zombie's remains,  
giving testimony of tortured souls  
crying out from their hollow chambers  
"Vengeance!" "Vengeance!" "Vengeance!"

No more ears will be open  
to the voice of the slick-tongued charmer  
who feed us well-worded lies  
to satisfy our hunger for justice and peace.  
Ears now yield to the rebel voice,  
speaking of a new destiny  
for listless souls beneath significance  
creating their own significance  
creating their own existence.

No, no more words will be spoken  
in that tractable and humble voice  
of the slave  
who was once  
motivated by the master's interest,  
as if they were his own.

No, words will not precede out  
of the mouth of the wretched,  
but from every tool of freedom  
that tortured hands clutch.  
And as the voice of  
the slick-tongued charmer  
is tamed,  
the next voice we'll hear is when  
the bullets speak!!

— Fela Shanna

## Solidarity Demonstration fr. p. 3

and "Stop Killer Cops, Death to the Klan, Free New Afrika, Free The Land!"

Adewole Umoja, a representative of the National Committee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters from the National Territory, spoke at the evening program in Los Angeles. He emphasized that the development of people's war to win national independence is a multi-faceted struggle which involves all sectors of the Black Nation. And, speaking to the importance of natural allies, he said, "We understand that New Afrika cannot be free without the liberation of Puerto Rico. We understand that New Afrika cannot be free without land returning to the ChicanoMexicano people." This was expressed concretely with the participation of speakers from the MLN, a revolutionary Puerto Rican and ChicanoMexicano organization in the U.S., and the Comité Nacional Contra la Represión. Both organizations also joined in the Saturday demonstrations in Watts and Harlem.

Speakers at the evening programs in both cities addressed the importance of white north americans uniting with New Afrikan People's War to free the national territory (what is currently called Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina) and defeat U.S. imperialism. A spokeswoman from Prairie Fire Organizing Committee said, "We say death to imperialism because imperialism can have no alternative. There can be no reform or halfway measures, only the total dismantling and destruction of the federal system that is called the U.S. Independence and socialism for Puerto Rico, socialist reunification of Mexico, independence and land for New Afrika, and sovereignty for Native Nations will only happen through protracted people's war, the

political/military strategy by which oppressed nations win life and freedom and oppressor nations are buried in the ground." Speakers addressed the necessity of learning from the revolutionary examples set by the white combatants of the RATF. A spokeswoman from May 19th Communist Organization read from a recent statement by Judy Clark, "We believe all anti-imperialists must support the captured white combatants and the Revolutionary Armed Task Force as a leading revolutionary development. It poses the challenge to all white anti-imperialists to take up the practice of revolutionary struggle from the front lines; to forsake the dreams and corruption of empire; to participate in and support the waging of armed struggle against imperialism under the leadership of national liberation struggles; and to apply these political principles to organize a revolution-

ary mass movement."

The national day of solidarity grew out of the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee's national conference held in Chicago over the July 4th weekend. The JBKAC is a national organization of white anti-imperialists which was formed to build a mass movement against the Klan and organized white supremacy in solidarity with the struggle of the Black Nation for land, independence and socialism. The national conference advanced the building of JBKAC as a national solidarity committee with the New Afrikan Independence Movement. The conference developed concrete programs to advance day-to-day work against the Klan and killer cops and called the August 20th demonstrations as strategically important in building support for the Black Liberation Army, the RATF and all New Afrikan Freedom Fighters.

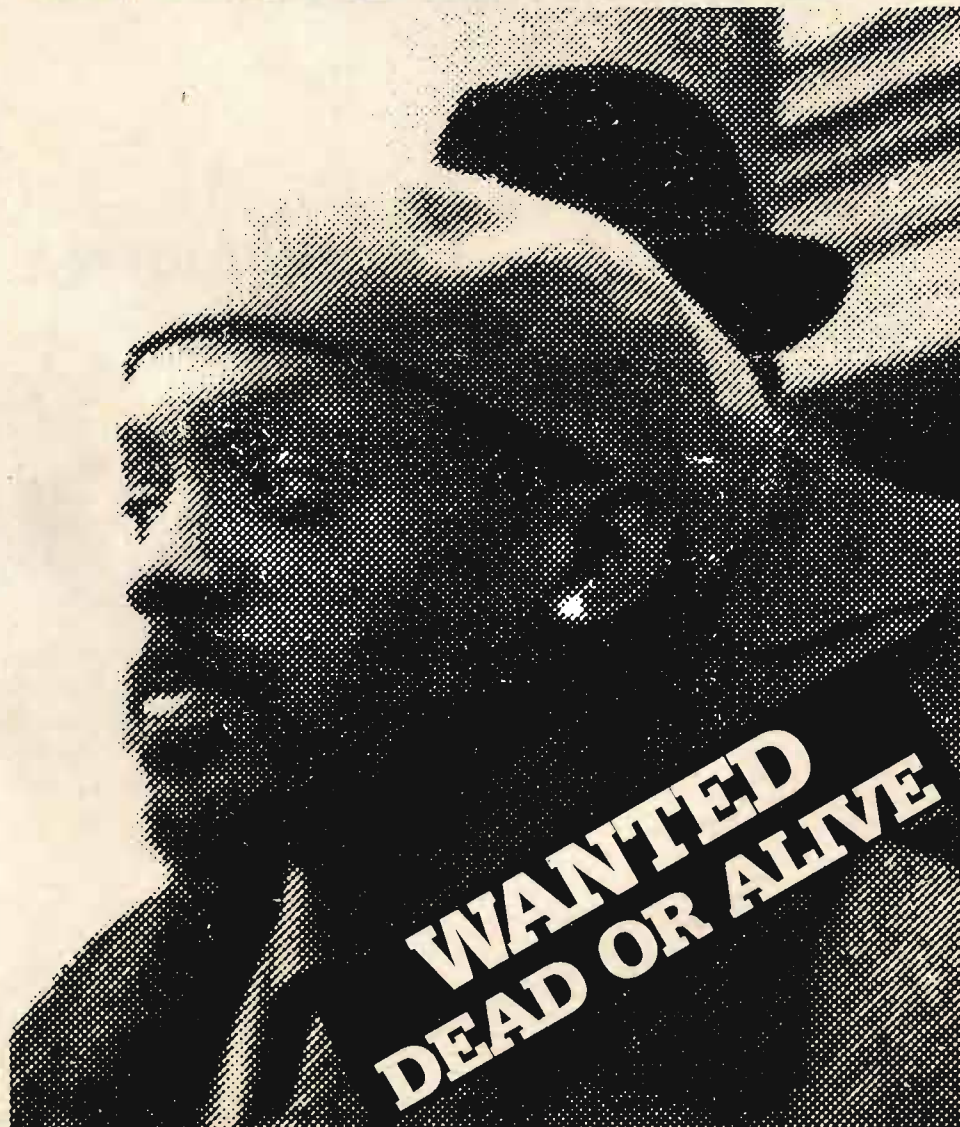
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# TRAITOR



Peter Middleton is a traitor. He was nothing before the New Afrikan Independence Movement gave him a life and he is a dead man now. The movement made him a doctor and taught him how to heal the ravages of colonial terror against the Black Nation. He fought drugs. The movement taught him how to prepare Black people for war to be healthy, strong, able to defend the community. He was a martial artist. He won life in the struggle for the Nation.

Peter Middleton's treachery began before March 26. It began in the mercenary secrets of his own mind where greed and personal gain brought him to line his own pocket with lies and slanders against the Black Liberation Army. For the crumbs from the FBI's table, he turned. He has committed treason against the Black Nation. He has betrayed the movement and the people who have cared for him the most. The question of if and how he dies is irrelevant because he is a dead man already.

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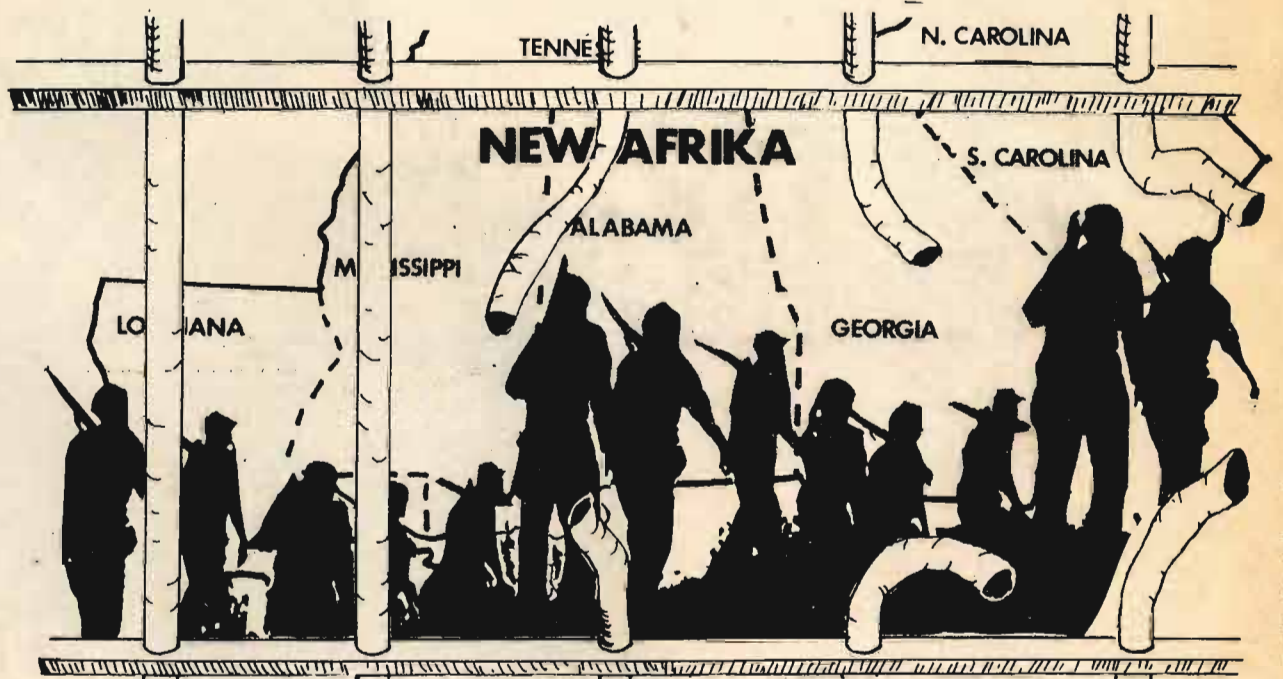
# DRAGON'S BLOOD

(For Comrade George)

## PART I

The Dragon spoke  
His words were fire  
burning through thin  
veils of swollen hypocrisy  
The Dragon spoke  
Babylon shook  
edges singed  
His words ignited fires  
of imminent futures  
in our minds  
when we  
would no longer  
write blank checks for  
headstones and extra sites  
The Dragon breathed  
his spirit filled our souls  
walked with us  
into hostile courtrooms  
announced  
"we are the real revolutionaries  
and we're taking over"  
**AIN'T NO TERRORISTS HERE**  
His spirit moved us to understand  
fascism is here  
at our throats  
a mad white dog  
cynically smiling  
behind tin badges  
from under  
white starched robes  
and masks  
over 3 piece business suits  
fascism sits and smiles  
snapping at our jugular veins  
fascism is here  
We have been warned  
The Dragon has roared  
We

"must accept the eventuality"  
of bringing the u.s.a. to its knees  
accept the closing off of critical  
sections of the city  
with barbed wire  
armored pig carriers  
crisscrossing the streets  
soldiers everywhere  
tommyguns pointed at stomach level  
smoke curling black against the daylight sky  
the smell of cordite  
house to house searches  
doors being kicked in  
the commonness of death..."  
fascism is here  
The Dragon roared  
Babylon shook  
edges singed  
a beast enraged  
fascism exposed  
ugly beastly head slowly turns  
dripping racist slime  
foaming white supremacy  
ugly beastly head  
strikes back  
The Dragon screamed  
painful death throws  
we cried  
chained helplessly  
to our own fear  
unable to tread his road



The Dragon screamed  
we cried  
chained to our own fear  
The Dragon screamed  
**BLOOD IN MY EYE**  
**BLOOD IN MY EYE**  
**BLOOD IN MY EYE**  
no more blank checks for  
headstones and extra sites  
**BLOOD IN MY EYE**  
accept closing off  
critical sections of cities  
fascism is here  
**BLOOD IN MY EYE**  
smoke curling black against daylight sky  
**BLOOD IN MY EYE**  
house to house searches  
cordite smell  
pig carriers  
tommy guns pointed at stomach level  
commonness of death  
no more blank checks...  
we cry chained to our own fear  
The Dragon bleeds  
bleeds... bleeds... bleeds... bleeds... a  
seed... seed... seed... seed...

\*Taken from *Blood in My Eye*

## PART II

We are the seeds  
of the Dragons blood  
warriors rising from red puddles  
Black angels  
criticizing the unjust with the weapon  
bring righteousness to Babylon  
**AIN'T NO TERRORISTS HERE**  
the chains of our fear  
have been forged into bullets  
burning through decayed cracker brains  
they tremble at our names

Geronimo — Abdul — Safiya  
Kuwesi — Mtayari — Zayd  
Sundiata — Mutulu — Bilal  
Twyman — Fulani — Assata  
Assata Assata Assata...  
Asanta Sana Black Angels  
Bring righteousness to Babylon  
**AIN'T NO TERRORISTS HERE**  
New Afrikan Freedom Fighters  
sprung from Dragon's blood  
Black Urban Guerrillas  
**AIN'T NO TERRORISTS HERE**  
New Afrikan Freedom Fighters  
preparing for a western sunrise  
final retribution  
vita wa watu/peoples war  
smoke curling black against daylight sky  
vita wa watu/peoples war  
commonness of death  
vita wa watu/peoples war  
armored pig carriers  
carrying dead pigs rapidly  
from our path  
vita wa watu/peoples war  
Black angels  
bring righteousness  
New Afrikan Freedom Fighters  
sprung from Dragons Blood  
heralding red black and green mornings  
a new Afrikan day  
**AIN'T NO TERRORISTS HERE**  
New Afrikan Freedom Fighters  
birthing a new nation  
on free land  
Black nation  
fertilized with Dragons blood  
and  
**AIN'T NO TERRORISTS HERE**

— makungu akinyela

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